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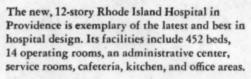
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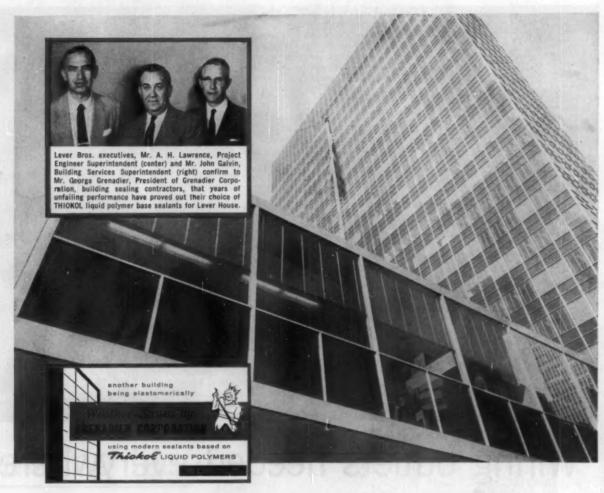


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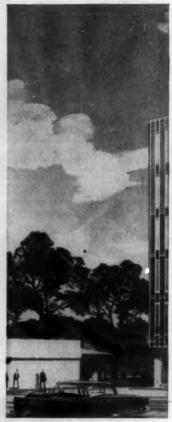
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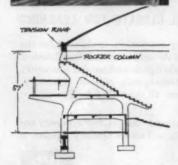
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Mr. Holden was a man of many talents, and he devoted them all in one way or another to the industry he served. Through most of his life, he was associated with F. W. Dodge Corporation, and in his various capacities he always maintained a close relationship to ARCHITECTURAL RECORD.

Few men could count so many real friends, but even the closest of them would be hard put to catalogue his achievements, or even to classify his profession.

Thomas Holden began his career as a mathematician, with a master's degree from the University of Texas. He taught mathematics for a short time there, and later at M.I.T., but was not long satisfied with the prospects in this field. His background in mathematics, however, played a large part in his later contributions to construction economics and statistics.

Mr. Holden's association with M.I.T. gave him an opportunity to fulfill an old ambition, the study of architecture. In 1916, he received his B.S. in architecture from that school, and began his practice in Boston and in Ohio. But World War I ended this practice, and events moved so rapidly for him thereafter that he was never able to resume it. Here, again, he had acquired essential background for the unique career that lay ahead of him.

At the end of the first World War, the high cost of living and the housing problem were of great concern, and the U. S. Department of Labor called on Mr. Holden, then an army ordnance officer, to help establish new statistical programs. He joined the Department as an economic investigator, and thus began a new career which was to make him the nation's foremost construction economist.

It was here, in 1919, that he first came to the attention of the F. W. Dodge Company, as it was then known. The company, possessed of a vast flow of construction news, felt that it could fill one of the great gaps in the nation's economic information by compiling statistics on contract awards, and Mr. Holden was brought in as chief statistician to organize the program.

His rise to national prominence was rapid. His writings and speeches became widely known and depended on, and it was only a short time before he was recognized as the principal authority on construction economics. He rose rapidly in F. W. Dodge Corporation as well, becoming a vice president, a director, and, in 1941, president.

Mr. Holden held this last position until 1953. Then, at an age when many men would be content to retire after a full life, he became vice chairman of the board, and went right on working in his chosen field. He continued for many years to supervise Dodge statistical work and remained, until the end, in charge of public relations.

A characteristic of his life was service to others, particularly to organizations in architecture and building. As president of the New York Building Congress in the dark depression days, he rebuilt that group from near-extinction. He helped organize building congresses in Chicago, Washington and Connecticut. He worked long and hard for the Regional Plan Association and the Commerce and Industry Association of New York, the Business Advisory Council of the U. S. Department of Commerce, the John B. Pierce Foundation and dozens of other groups.

Among his many honors, those of which he was most proud were honorary memberships in the American Institute of Architects and the Architectural League of New York, and the initial Award of Recognition by the Producers' Council.

Mr. Holden's closest associates will remember him best for his unbounded faith in the future, and in the growth potential of America. His view was always forward, and he was impatient with chronic pessimists, even in the depths of war and depression. And in the long run, events always proved him right.

It seems fitting that on his last morning, until only a few minutes before his passing, he was cheerfully working on plans for presenting his outlook for 1959. The title he had chosen for the outlook was singularly suited to the last work of such a man. It was:

"Onward and Upward: Growth Trends Resumed."

-George Cline Smith

### A Record Special Report

### HOW CAN CRITICISM IMPROVE URBAN DESIGN? RYE CONFERENCE PONDERS

By David A. Crane

How to generate better published thought and sharper criticism on design of American cities was the subject of a conference held October 2-4 at Rye, New York. The University of Pennsylvania Conference on Urban Design Criticism, sponsored by the University's School of Fine Arts and Institute for Urban Studies, provided a two-day Westchester retreat for fifteen national leaders in various fields of communications and design. Made possible by a Rockefeller Foundation grant, the Conference was called by Dean G. Holmes Perkins to take another step toward the growing revival of interest in urban design. The University based its appeal on the premise that criticism, or the lack of it, has a lot to do with the urban environment achieved. Conference participants were also reminded that getting critical discussion of design into schoolrooms, museums, press, or television would have little value if we did not also improve urban design ideas at their source: in universities, research centers, or individuals.

A major suggestion advanced during the conference was for the formation of a small council of interested designers, scholars, critics, and journalists to carry on the discussion begun at Rye. The spirit of this proposal appeared to be a desire for further self-education at leadership level. Springing from Lewis Mumford's plea against "mere design propaganda," the idea of beginning with an educational council received fairly general support by the participants after the difficulty of setting priorities among several action proposals was recognized.

The proposals actively supported at the conference suggest what some immediate needs might be. Some programs would give formal support for "massive public controversy" on urban design, on a local or a national basis. It was suggested that such programs might be modeled on the lines of the British Architectural Review's Counter Attack Bureau which lends technical assistance to civic groups engaged in design controversies. Other measures suggested

at Rve were based on the principle that better public design education and "environment awareness" must be provided as a cornerstone for controversy if controversy is to be really constructive. In this category an experimental museum-public schools "awareness campaign" in one city, including the sponsorship of some public "urban design watching," proposed by J. B. Jackson, Editor of Landscape. Still other proposals made at the Conference stressed the need for conferences and fellowships to encourage self-education of newspapermen and other writers who cover urban affairs or design subjects.

Running through most of the discussions at Rye was the feeling that no action directed to the press or its lay and professional audiences would in itself be enough. Needed research and unwritten books were listed, as well as other more general needs at the highest intellectual levels. Kevin Lynch, associate professor of city planning at M.I.T., suggested public controversy would be chiefly useful for attracting "better minds" into the fields of architecture and city planning. Ian McHarg, chairman of Pennsylvania's Department of Landscape Architecture, urged that the design professions look beyond "clichés of shape" to fresh source material in fields like physiology, psychology, or theology. He proposed a small exchange, with its own journal, through which interested persons in many different fields of learning could contribute to the theory and knowledge of urban design.

Mrs. Catherine Bauer Wurster, lecturer on city and regional planning at the University of California, led a discussion of popular and professional values involved in urban design, pointing to a need for more study in this category. She and Gordon Stephenson, of the School of Architecture, University of Toronto, typified a general conviction that the "making of beauty" can be tackled separately only at the risk of falling into the same blind alleys characterizing today's planning pre-occupations with slums, efficiency, or investment opportunity. Eric Larrabee, executive editor of American Heritage, added a warning that a market for urban design writing will not be available until designers and their literary champions develop more understandable vocabularies and arguWith Dean G. Holmes Perkins presiding, the conference discussions began with prepared talks by individuals. These were based on a working paper prepared and circulated in advance and on prior correspondence of various design critics with Dr. William L. C. Wheaton, director of the Institute for Urban Studies.

In a talk on his Boston home region. Editor Edward Weeks of The Atlantic noted an inexorable attrition against natural and architectural amenities in cities. He cited recent "improvements" at Walden Pond as examples of commercial and civic "vandalism" permitted or encouraged by the planners and local press. Mrs. Jane Jacobs, associate editor of Architectural Forum, commented on the nature of criticism in commercial architectural magazines. Among other factors, she referred to the tendency of the magazines to devote too much space to description of 'extenuating processes" and too little to criticism of "accomplished products." This, she said. partly results from over-zealous "patriotism for the cause of modern architecture or city planning, whatever individual faults there may be." Mrs. Jacobs compared this preoccupation with ins-and-outs of architect-client-builder negotiations to the situation which would exist if drama critics were to devote themselves largely to difficulties of casting, strikes, or theater rentals. Other talks on strategy, timing, and the personality aspects of design criticism were given by Frederick Gutheim, planning consultant, journalist and architectural critic, and Grady Clay, real estate editor for the Louisville Courier-Journal.

Some of the highlights of the conference at Rye were provided in evening slide talks. In one of these Leslie Cheek, executive director of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, illustrated his museum's remarkable traveling exhibit, "Virginia Town." Louis Kahn, architect, provided a sense of the city design which is left undone by explaining his imaginative concepts about the "order" of city streets.

It was announced that Dean Perkins will convene a second conference of his own School of Fine Arts faculty this month. The faculty will review proposals made at Rye with special attention to possible activities in design and research institutions. Findings of both conferences will be distributed late in the winter.

Mr. Crane, assistant professor of city planning at the University of Pennsylvania, prepared the "working paper" circulated in advance of the conference and is responsible for editing the proceedings

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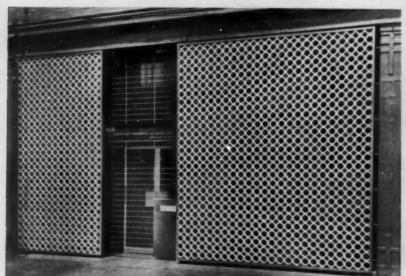
### EIGHT BUILDINGS CITED IN GULF STATES A.I.A. AWARDS PROGRAM



Honor Award: Louisiana State Library, Baton Rouge; William R. Burk and John J. Desmond, Architects; George A. Caldwell, General Con-



Honor Award: Retail Store, Sears Roebuck and Company, Pine Bluff, Ark.; A. L. Aydelott and Associates, Architects; Dougherty Liddell Construction Co., General Contractor

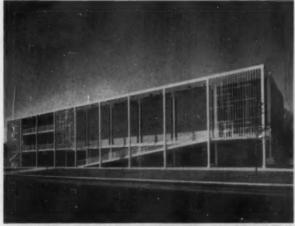


Honor Award: Architects' Own Offices, Little Rock; Ginocchio-Cromwell and Associates, Architects; Kelley-Nelson Construction Co., General Contractor

The 1958 edition of the annual honor awards program of the Gulf States Region of the American Institute of Architects was held in October in conjunction with the ninth annual Gulf States Regional Conference at

Biloxi (page 28). Eight awards were given: three Honor Awards and five Awards of Merit. There were 70 entries in all.

Jury for the competition consisted of Albert Bush-Brown, of the School of Architecture and Planning of Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Paul Heffernan, dean of the School of Architecture of Georgia Institute of Technology; and Frank Lopez, of Engelhardt, Engelhardt, Leggett and Cornell, educational consultants, of New York.



Award of Merit: Christ Methodist Church, Memphis; Office of Walk C. Jones Jr., Architect; Canfield & Scarbrough Construction Co., General Contractor



Award of Merit: Caribe Building and Architects' Offices, New Orleans; Curtis and Davis, Architects; R. P. Farnsworth & Co., Inc., General Contractor



Award of Merit: Richland Elementary School, Memphis; Mann and Harrover, Architects; S. & W. Construction Co., General Contractor (AR, Aug. '58, p. 179)



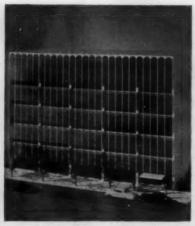
Award of Merit: Restaurant and Swimming Pool, Hot Wells, La.; Glankler and Broadwell, Architects; Gravier & Harper, General Contractor



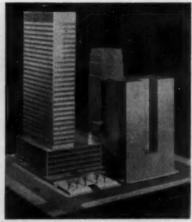
Award of Merit: River Week End House, Tangipahoa River, La.; John and Mary Mykolyk, Architects



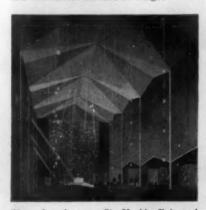
The 21-story Norton Building is to be Seattle's first major new office building in nearly 30 years. Estimated cost: more than \$12 million. The plaza will feature sculptures by two Washington State men: a welded copper piece by Harold Balazs and a cast stone bird by Philip McCracken. Architects: Bindon & Wright. Consulting architects: Skidmore, Owings & Merrill. General contractor: Howard S. Wright



The Independence Life Insurance Company's new headquarters building in Pasadena, under construction, has five stories, with exterior walls rising six stories to hide equipment penthouses. The 36,000-sq ft, reinforced concrete structure has a gold aluminum grill, patterned by vertical aluminum strips. Cost: about \$1,250,000. Architects: Welton Becket & Assocs. General contractor: Carter Co. Contractors and Developers



The First National Bank Building in Minneapolis is to be finished in 1960. The five-story bank portion is stainless steel, and the 23-story office tower is anodized aluminum. Underground parking and an autobank are below the plaza, which will be used for ice skating and seasonal displays. Architects: Holabird & Root & Burgee associated with Thorshov & Cerny. General contractor: Naugle-Leck, Inc.

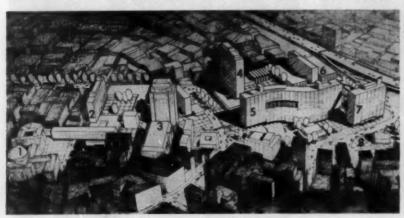


Plans for the new St. Mark's Episcopal Church, New Canaan, Conn., were approved recently by the vestry. The rendering above shows the interior of the main church, to seat 700. At the right are the free-standing bell tower, the church, court, and parish hall seating 400. The new facilities are to



be built near the existing church house. The preliminary estimated cost, including all buildings, site work, church fittings, fees, and contingencies, is about \$1,540,000. The folded plate roof is of reinforced concrete and the translucent south wall (shown in the exterior rendering) has patterned grill

work. In addition to the church and parish hall (the latter including four classrooms), there are to be a chapel, choir room, parlor, sacristy, kitchen, nine religious-school classrooms, and a 250-car parking area. The altar is free-standing. Architects: Sherwood, Mills & Smith



The design for a proposed \$150-million Federal, state, and municipal government center in Boston was recently presented to Mayor John B. Hynes, the Boston Planning Board, the Redevelopment Authority, and Federal officials by the First Realty Co. of Boston. The site, in the heart of the city, stretches from the State House to the Central Artery (top right in perspective). Key: 1. State House; 2. State Office Building; 3. Courthouse; 4. 22-story private office building; 5. 15-story, million-sq ft Federal Building; 6. Merchandise mart; 7. City Hall, facing re-named Freedom Square (now Dock Square) and 8. historic Faneuil Hall, which would be given a new, more prominent setting. The State Office Building is designed so it would not overshadow Bulfinch's State House dome. Architects: The Architects Collaborative

### FIVE CATHOLIC INSTITUTIONS WIN FIRST AWARDS IN COMPETITION

The five buildings on this page are the 1958 first-place winners in the Catholic Institutional Architectural Competition sponsored each year by Catholic Property Administration, magazine devoted to the planning, construction, equipping, and operation of Catholic institutions. The competition is held "to encourage creative design for liturgical, functional, and esthetic Catholic structures, and to encourage effective utilization of building materials." The judges this year were: Gerald G. Diehl, A.I.A., Detroit: Raymond M. Marlier, A.I.A., Pittsburgh; Leo A. McMullen, A.I.A., Pittsburgh; the Rev. William G. Ryan, Greensburg, Pa. They made three awards each in five categories, basing their selections on how well the designs solved a particular problem or filled a specific need.



St. Lawrence Martyr School, Redondo Beach, Cal. Category: "an elementary school accommodating 400 or more, which has been completed, is under construction, or with design in 'approved' stage." Architects: Comeau and Brooks, Encino, Cal. General contractors: Walter Drasan, Los Angeles, and Sam Duff Co., Long Beach



Above: St. Alphonsus Church, Hessmer, La. Category: "a church seating no more than 400, which has been completed, is under construction, or with design in 'approved' stage." Architects: Bodman and Murrell and Smith, Baton Rouge, La. General contractor: E. E. Rabalais and Son, Bunkie, La. Below: St. John the Evangelist Rectory, Lafayette, La. Category: "a small rectory which has been completed." Architect: H. J. Lagroue, Lafayette. General contractor: J. B. Mouton and Sons, Lafayette



Above: Sisters of St. Joseph Convent, Manhattan, Kans. Category: "a small parish convent which has been completed." Architects: F. O. Wolfenbarger & Assocs., Manhattan. General contractor: Green Construction Co., Manhattan. Below: Providence High School, Burbank, Cal. Category: "a high school accommodating no more than 750, which has been completed, is under construction, or with design in 'approved' stage." Architects: Gene Verge and R. N. Clatworthy, Los Angeles. General contractor: Pozzo Construction Co.



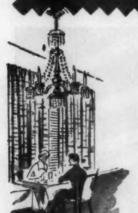


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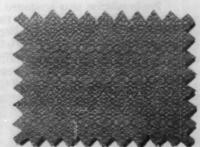
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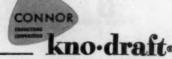
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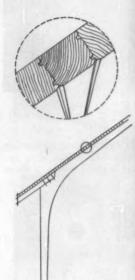
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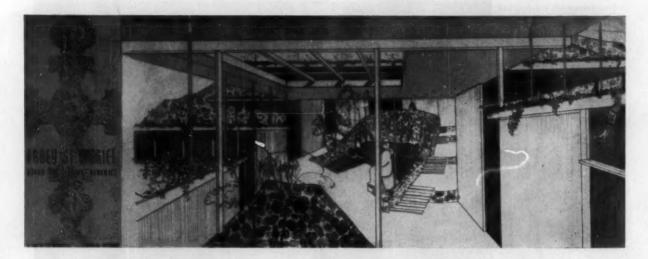




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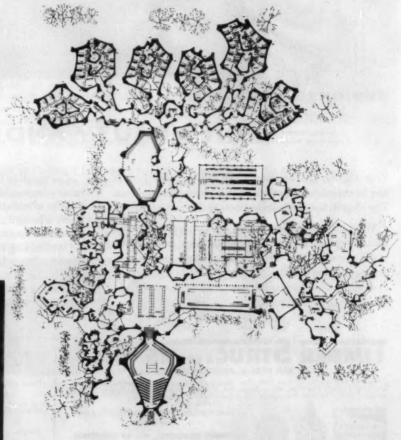


### FIRST YEAR OUT OF SCHOOL: ONE WAY TO USE IT

H. Jack Schainen and Alfred Chas. Stern, Design Associates, who are two young men a year out of Pratt Institute's School of Architecture, have designed a monastery for the Benedictine Fathers in Weston, Vermont, and a residence in New York (in association with architect Stanley Salzman); they have completed a sculptural mural for the Lorillard building in New York, and are in the process of making another one for a New York hotel. They also design and fabricate lighting fixtures for a manufacturer. In their spare time they have provided Manhattan with a new art gallery, at 200 East 41st Street, where they hope "the architect and interior designer can meet to work with the related arts."

The monastery plan, begun as a thesis project, was completed as a serious long-range development program, and the "client" seriously hopes that some day it can be executed, even though no funds are in sight and no time can be set for construction. Abbot Leo A. Rudloff, O. S. B., says it

is "ingenious, original, interesting and inspired." For their program Schainen and Stern used parts of the rule of St. Benedict by which the monastery is run, so that, according, to Abbot Leo, "the whole plan appeared as an organic whole, a form with a soul."



(Top) Dormitory cell unit and (above) site plan for projected Benedictine priory. At left: Noon City, mural in Lorillard Building, New York







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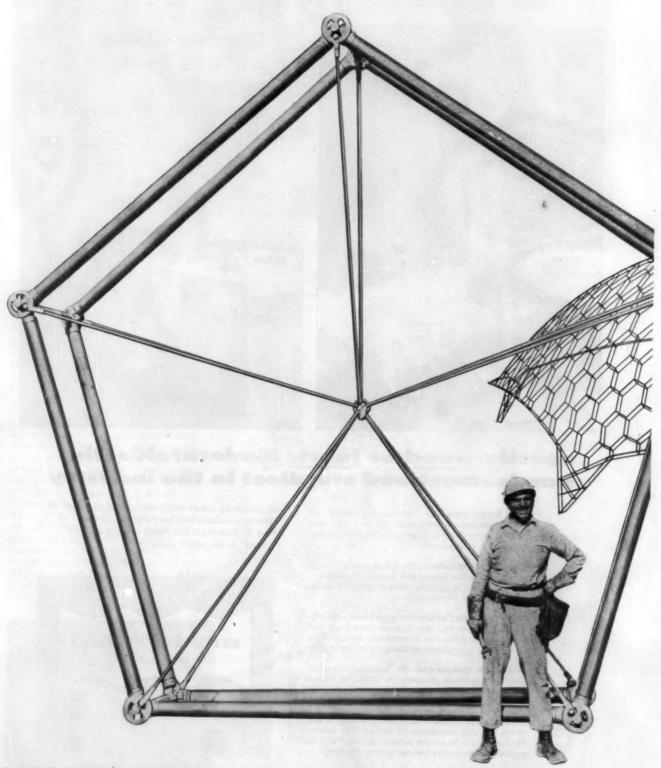
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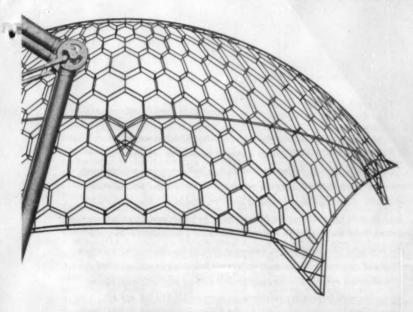
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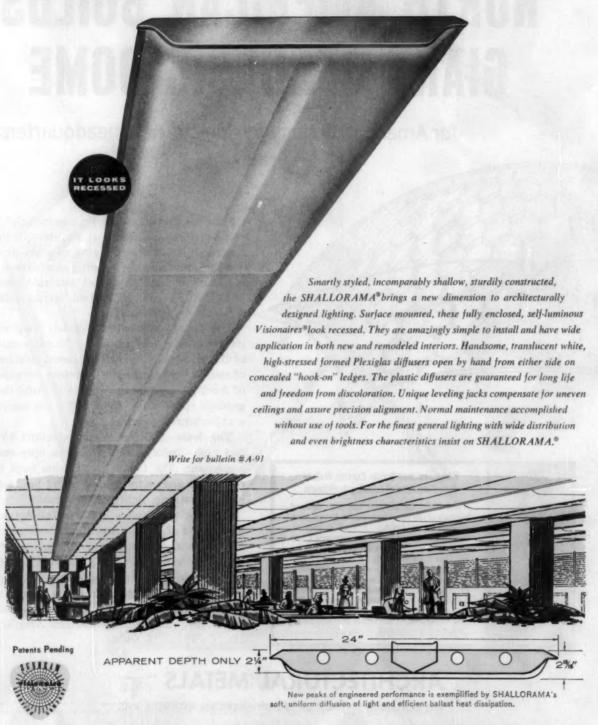


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### Conference on Urban Building

The Fourth National Construction Industry Conference is being held in Chicago, December 10-11. The cosponsors are the American Institute of Architects, American Society of Civil Engineers, Armour Research Foundation of Illinois Institute of Technology, Associated General Contractors of America, and Building Research Institute.

"Creative Trends in Urban Building" is the theme of the conference. Among the speakers at the first session, "Human Needs in Urban Society," will be John E. Burchard, dean, School of Humanities and Social Studies, M.I.T., and consulting editor, ARCHITECTURAL RECORD. Speakers at the following sessions, "The Architects Respond," "The Engineers Respond," and "The Builders Respond," are to include: Paul M. Rudolph, chairman of Yale's Department of Architecture; Walter A. Netsch, Jr., Skidmore, Owings & Merrill; William L. Pereira, Pereira & Luckman; Louis I. Kahn, Philadelphia; Philip Will, Jr., Perkins & Will; Raymond W. Sauer, supervisor, structural analysis, Armour Research Foundation; Eduardo Torroja, Spanish engineer; Richard J. Daley, Mayor of Chicago; Albert M. Cole, Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency.

#### Six Houses Win Magazine Awards

Space for large families is the emphasis in *Parents' Magazine*'s annual Builders' Competition for the Best Homes for Families with Children.

National and Regional Merit Awards are given to houses selling for \$16,000 to \$25,000 and to those selling for less than \$16,000 (exclusive of land). Recognition of the work of builders is the main purpose of the awards.

Fox and Jacobs Construction Company, Dallas, won both the National Merit Award and a Regional Merit Award in the higher price group for the Beers house in Dallas, designed by the builder's staff under the direction of Parker Folse. Another Regional Merit Award in the same price group went to the Lusk Corporation, Tucson, Ariz., for the staff-designed DeVries house there.

There was no National Merit Award in the lower price group. Regional Merit Awards went to: Cecil E. Jennings, Lubbock, Texas, for the Fannin house there, designed by Donald H. Honn, A.I.A., of Tulsa; John C. Mackay & Associates, Menlo Park, Cal., for the Fraser house in Sacramento, designed by Irving Caster, San Mateo architect.

Two Special Awards for Distinctive Architectural Design were made. Eichler Homes, Inc., Palo Alto, Cal., received one for the Frisbie house, San Mateo, designed by Anshen & Allen, A.I.A., San Francisco. The other winner was Edward Green & Harmon White of Benjamin Franklin Homes, Inc., Newton, Mass., for the Harris house in Wayland, Mass., designed by Compton & Pierce, Architects, Cambridge, Mass.

The award jury this year included: Martin L. Bartling, Jr., Knoxville builder and treasurer, National Association of Home Builders; Richard Bennett, F.A.I.A., Loebl, Schlossman & Bennett; Ralph Johnson, director, Construction Department and Research Institute, N.A.H.B.; William H. Scheick, A.I.A., executive director, Building Research Institute; and Maxine Livingston, family home editor, Parents' Magazine.

#### Thiry Named Exposition Architect

Paul Thiry, F.A.I.A., of Seattle, has been appointed chief architect for the Century 21 Exposition, to be held in Seattle in 1961. Mr. Thiry was the unanimous choice of the Seattle Civic Center Advisery Commission and the World Fair Commission, the two groups governing the international fair. The setting for the exposition is ultimately to become Seattle's new civic center.

### Harley Awarded Detroit Medal

Alvin E. Harley, F.A.I.A., senior member of the Detroit firm of Harley, Ellington and Day, Inc., Architects and Engineers, was awarded the 1958 Gold Medal of the Detroit Chapter, American Institute of Architects. Mr. Harley, an A.I.A. member since 1920 and a Fellow since 1947, has practiced in Detroit for half a century.

#### Johnson Honorary N.S.I.D. Member

Philip Johnson, New York architect, recently was given honorary membership in the National Society of Interior Designers for his contribution to the field of interior design. The award was the first of its kind presented to an architect by the Society.

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### Meetings and Miscellany

#### Modular Bibliography

The Modular Building Standards Association has issued a bibliography of books, articles, and technical papers dealing with the modular system of coordinated dimensioning. The publication is free from the Association at 2029 K St., N.W., Washington 6.

### B.R.I. Meeting on Resilient Floors

Difficulties encountered in the use of resilient flooring materials were given the spotlight at a meeting of the Building Research Institute in Washington, September 17-18.

A survey, especially conducted for this event, with 490 replies, including 61 architects, showed that the number-one problem in resilient flooring was indentation of asphalt tile. An analysis of the survey given at the conference, while acknowledging the seriousness of this problem, was quick to point out that even though 50 per cent of the complaints on indentation were racked up against asbestos and vinyl-asbestos tile, these two materials constitute 62 per cent of the market.

This same analysis reported that there is a demand for both better information and better workmanship, and that failure to follow instructions is still one of the most significant causes of difficulty.

Another paper pointed out that floor coverings rarely wear out, and more usually are replaced because of mechanical damage, architectural changes or for redecoration. Floor coverings can be unsatisfactory, due to poor wood or concrete sub-floors, or the use of inferior underlayments. Factors to take into consideration in the selection of resilient coverings include the possibility of sub-floor moisture, cost, degree of comfort required, and ease of maintenance.

Another feature of the meeting was the presentation of an information chart listing dimensions, cost, use level (suspended, on grade, below grade) and physical characteristics.

—Robert E. Fischer

### New York Architects Meet

The New York State Association of Architects' annual convention was held at the Powers Hotel, Rochester, October 16-18. Some 230 architects, exhibitors, guests, and wives attended.

The newly elected officers are shown in an accompanying cut. Among the distinguished guests were: John Noble Richards, national president of the A.I.A., and Mrs. Richards; Trevor W. Rogers, A.I.A. regional director, and Mrs. Rogers; William B. Macomber, Assistant

Secretary of State; Col. Clinton B. F. Brill, chairman, New York State Thruway Authority; Maurice Payette, president, R.A.I.C.

At the sometimes stormy business meetings a great deal of discussion centered about the publication, *The Empire State Architect*, and the duplication of committees between the state organization and the A.I.A. regional organization.

-James S. Hornbeck

#### **Gulf States Conference**

The Ninth Annual Conference of the Gulf States Region of the A.I.A., held in Biloxi, Miss., October 5-8, was a provocative, bustling affair, boasting a huge attendance (reportedly 500) and the unexpected presence of the current Miss America.

The theme, "Architecture in the Space Age," was well covered by speeches and seminars by a prominent list including Frederich Graf von Surma, government space and missile expert, and Buckminster Fuller.

Sam T. Hurst, dean of the School of Architecture at Alabama Polytechnic Institute, summed up the space age as a paradox: "It... produces the finest housing in the world for Prudential and Seagram, but has not organized itself to solve on any wide scale the basic living functions..."

The exhibit of the year's architectural work included 70 buildings, and was one of the finest collections seen by this reporter. See pages 12-13 for award winners.

-Herbert L. Smith, Jr.



Two photographs taken during the recent Gulf States Regional A.I.A. Conference. Above: Mrs. A. L. Aydelott; G. Scott Smitherman, Shreveport; A. L. Aydelott, Memphis; N. W. Overstreet, Jackson, Miss.; Thomas J. Biggs, Jackson. Below: Mr. and Mrs. John M. Ware; Jackson; John N. Richards, A.I.A. president, and Mrs. Richards; John H. Pritchard, regional director, and Mrs. Pritchard







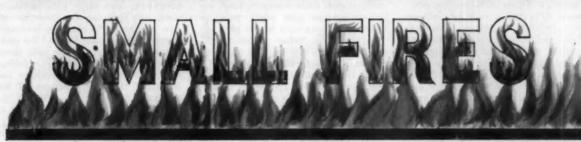


Three pictures taken during the North Central States Regional A.I.A. Conference and Minnesota Society of Architects' annual convention in St. Paul (AR, Nov. '58, p. 25). Top: officers and directors, North Central Region: seated, left to right, John Magney, Minneapolis chapter; John Fugard, Jr., Chicago; John N. Richards, A.I.A. president; Harold Spitznagle, regional director, South Dakota; Leo Weissenborn, Chicago; Clarence Herges, South Dakota, Standing, Joseph Flad, Wisconsin; W. Brooks Cavin. past president, Minnesota Society; Gerald Buetow, St. Paul; Gordon Comb, St. Paul; William Bentzinger, South Dakota; Lee Millke, Illinois; Al Wegleitner, Minneapolis; W. J. Bachman, Chicago; Paul Damberg, Duluth; Charles Boettcher, Northern Illinois. Center: newly elected officers of the Minnesota Society of Architects: Milton Bergstedt, St. Paul, treasurer; G. Clair Armstrong, Minneapolis, president; W. Brooks Cavin, outgoing president; George Townsend, St. Paul, vice president (Kenneth Backstrom, Minneapolis, secretary, was not in photo). Bottom: Marcel Breuer: Mrs. John N. Richards; E. A. Jyring



Newly elected officers of the New York eState Association of Architects are, left to right: S. Elmer Chambers, third vice president; Frederick H. Voss, second vice president; Martyn N. Weston, treasurer; Harry M. Prince, president; Joseph F. Addonizio, executive director; Simeon Heller, secretary; John W. Briggs, first vice president

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#### SURVEY CONTINUES TO DEVELOP DATA ON BUILDING PLANS OF COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

As the U. S. Office of Education progresses with its survey of college and university buildings, existing and planned, it continues to amass information which is of great significance for architects, as well as education officials, both public and private. The survey has shown, for example, that U. S. colleges and universities plan facilities during the period 1956-1970 that would cost an estimated \$5.5 billion.

With the earlier efforts of new building data assembly (AR, Aug. 1957, page 16) now well established and running smoothly, the Office is placing new emphasis on its inventory program. Two new staff men-Dr. Eugene Higgins and William S. Fuller-are devoting their time to developing details on inventorying the nation's supply of college and university physical facilities. A third new staff man, John B. Rork, is analyzing data already collected on projected facilities covering the period 1956-1970 inclusive. A first published report from the project, now a couple of years old, is expected around Christmas time. (All three of the new staffers are known as specialists for physical facilities.)

Altogether, this program of collecting and publishing statistical information on existing and proposed structures in the higher education field, along with its details of space use, materials use, building types, cost data, etc., promises to be one of the most comprehensive Federal government efforts of its kind.

The overall project can be broken down into five studies, now all actively underway, according to Dr. Robert Bockelman, who is in charge: (1) the actual new facilities provided from 1951 to 1955 inclusive; (2) the planned construction reported for 1956 through 1970 inclusive; (3) the all-inclusive inventory; (4) a study of and report on what higher education officials feel to be their real institutional building needs now and in the years ahead; and (5) the listing of new institutions and space made available by them, including all junior colleges as well as four-year public and private colleges and universities.

To compile the last-named as completely as possible, Dr. Bockelman's staff is writing present universities and colleges, state organizations, religious groups and other possible sponsors to ascertain where new institutions are being planned and what their size will be. The object is to get the information early. To await the application for accreditation does not give up-to-date knowledge on new schools established, he said. The lag could be many months or longer.

The inventory project is trying to reach 1937 higher learning units listed in the latest education directory plus new ones started since that publication came off the press. The directory is revised annually, and the attempt to secure data on new colleges and universities, begun earlier this year, will supply information not otherwise available, it is expected. The initial survey letters in the inventory project were mailed out in April. Nearly 600 replies now are on hand.

Two additional letters have just gone out. One was to those colleges and universities already replying to explain the use to which the data is being put and how the inventory will be kept up to date during the years ahead. The second is a nudge to those not responding, explaining the importance of the program and urging cooperation.

An extremely good response has been recorded in the other phase of the work—new and projected buildings. Here an average of 90 per cent of total enrollment has been blanketed. In the case of the universities it is 99.4 per cent; liberal arts, 84.7 per cent, and teachers' colleges, 88.7 per cent. Weaknesses lie only in the junior college area, where only 47.5 per cent have been covered, and in theological schools, where the figure is 58.1 per cent. The Office is working on raising these last two percentages.

From data already compiled and ready for publication it is apparent that the real break-through on college and university building occurred late in 1952 and early in 1953, one Office spokesman said. With little building during the depression and World War II, in the postwar period when temporaries were used, and during Korea, the big push came in those years when the colleges finally were able to begin their building

programs. The birth rate influence, stemming from the war years, is only now beginning to show in increased enrollments and the demand for more structures brought along with them.

Data submitted to date on college and university building plans has indicated that 67 per cent of the projected construction falls in the years 1956 through 1960 as part of the longer period from 1951 through 1970 for which the institutions were asked to report.

(The first publication due at Christmas time is to cover building from 1951 through 1955 only. Subsequent chapters will pick up the projections in five-year intervals.)

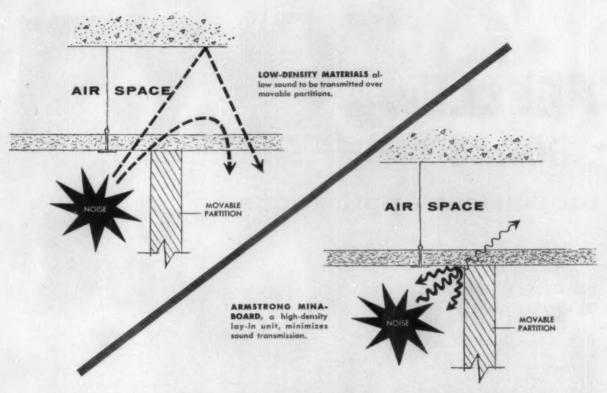
The Office is considering conducting repetitive five-year studies of building plans by an ext Spring. This has not determined, but such a court. I keep the building plans data fresher for an indefinite period into the future.

Who uses this wealth of data now being assembled? Officials report that the institutions themselves are the greatest users so far. This may be because they are aware of its existence, having contributed. But those in the program in Washington are sure that architects, engineers, contractors, subcontractors and material suppliers will find greater and greater value in the recorded trends as the information multiplies.

State and other education leaders are beginning to use the material and state legislatures are just becoming aware of its availability.

An important smaller facet of the program is a concentrated survey of actual college and university construction from January 1, 1956, through June 30, 1958. This will be weighed as are the projections on record and compared to them to ascertain how closely results have followed intentions submitted earlier.

The inventory phase will not begin to show published results until sometime next year and the first printings will be preliminary in character. When assembled, this data will show condition of building (obsolescence can be measured accurately), and will indicate physical facility supply for main campuses only. Farm, camp and foreign property is not to be included.



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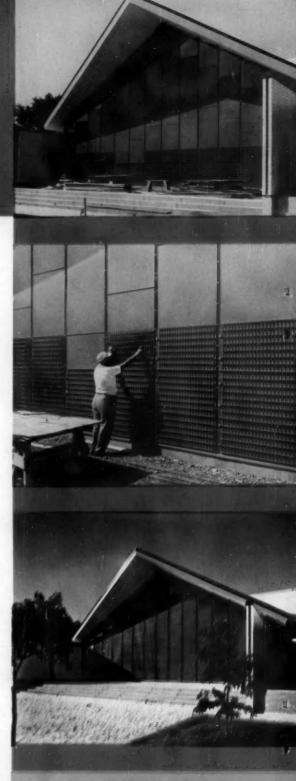
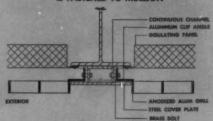
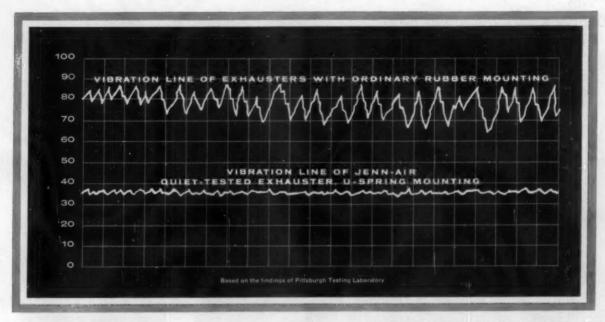


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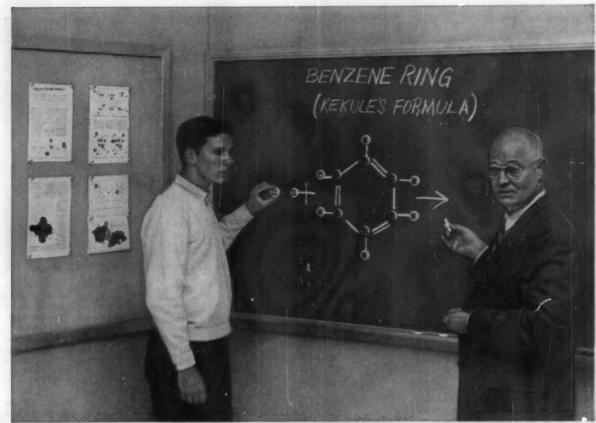
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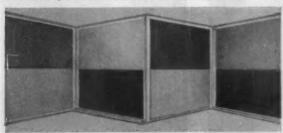
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#### New Executive Director Named by R.A.I.C.

Robbins L. Elliott of Ottawa has been appointed executive director of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada. He assumed his new duties



in Ottawa effective November 1. Mr. Elliott, a native of Wolfville, N. S., is 38. A World War II veteran, he has a master's degree in economics from the

University of Toronto and had considerable newspaper experience before entering the Federal civil service 11 years ago. He has been employed in various capacities, first with the Reconstruction and Supply Departments and then with the Department of Public Works. Appointed assistant director of Property and Building Management in 1955, he became in 1956 director of personnel, the position he left to head the R.A.I.C. staff.

#### Stainless Steel Featured in Atlas Steels' New Building

The Administration Building for Atlas Steels Ltd. recently opened at Welland, Ont. (photos at right), gives Canada its first all stainless steel curtain wall building. The wall consists of matte black stainless steel spandrels with bright stainless mullions and sills and gray glazing. Inside the building stainless steel has been used wherever practicable. Rosewood panels are divided by stainless ribs. Lobby furniture has stainless steel frames. The freestanding columns in the main reception lobby have two faces of slotted stainless steel grills. Stainless has been used for most of the hardware, stair railings and trim. The washrooms have stainless steel partitions; and the kitchenette just off the main Board room is equipped with stainless steel appliances

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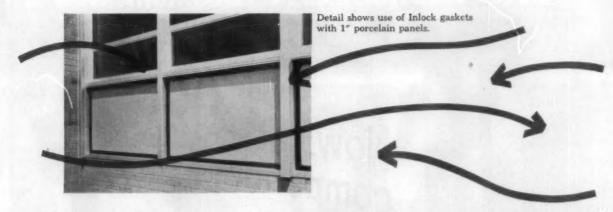


Above: Ottawa's new city hall, on the bank of the Rideau River. Architects (who were competition winners): Rother, Bland and Trudeau, Montreal; structural engineers: DeStein and McCutcheon, Montreal: electrical and mechanical engineers: Wiggs, Walford, Frost and Lindsay, Montreal; general contractor: Perini Ltd., Toronto and Ottawa. The building, which cost \$3,-400,000, provides 120,000 sq ft of office area for 350 employes. At left and below: Administration Building for Atlas Steels Ltd., Welland, Ont.; architects: Prack and Prack, Hamilton, Ont.; general contractors: Pigott Construction Co. Ltd., Hamilton. Canada's first all stainless steel curtain wall building provides 39,000 sq ft of floor area on three floors 80 by 160 ft; cost was approximately \$800,000

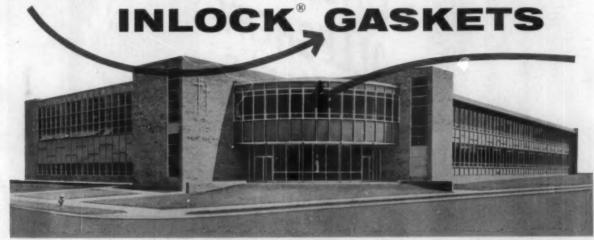








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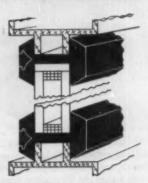
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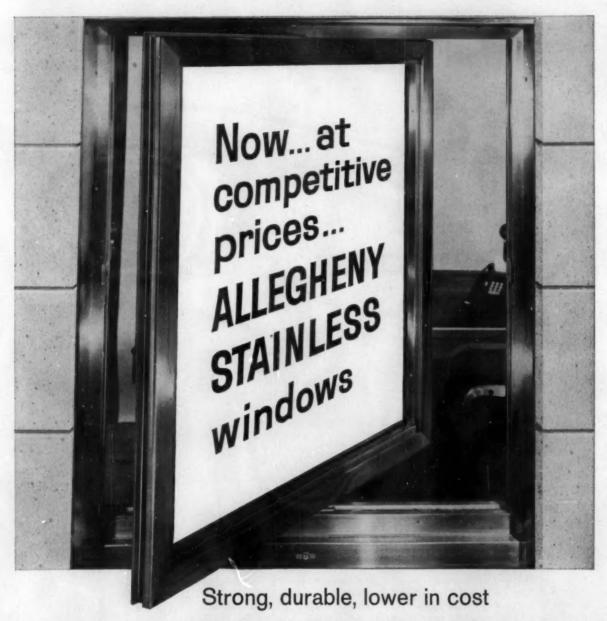
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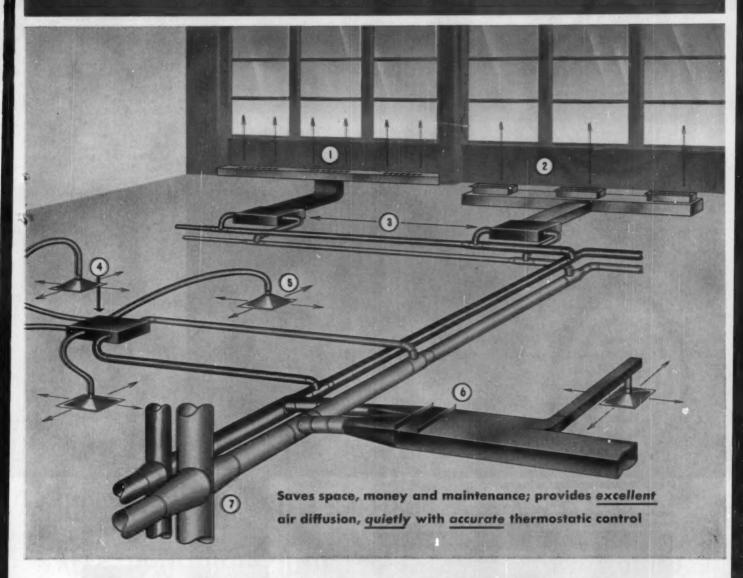
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#### Alberta Architects Protest Design Competition

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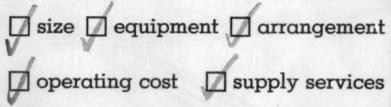
ings and landscaping and to provide accommodation for 50 persons. Prizes were set at \$5000, \$2500, \$1000 and \$500. Ten additional awards of \$100 each were also provided for each of the ten best individual design features.

Reaction of the Alberta Association of Architects was quick and sharp. Pointing out that such a competition would violate both its Act and its bylaws, the Association notified its members that they should refrain from participating until the conditions were fully investigated.

#### New Vancouver Church Erected Over Existing Basement

St. John the Apostle Roman Catholic Church in Vancouver (photos below) is constructed over an existing basement which was only two thirds the size of the structure required. As a result, the floor level had to be set at 5 ft above grade. To avoid unpleasant height and bulk which would have resulted from the floor level being too far above grade, the architects used steel trusses exposed on roof, with 4-in, decking hung on the lower chord. The main nave seats 350. The original basement is used as 2400-sq-ft meeting hall and the new basement incorporates kitchen

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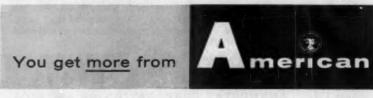
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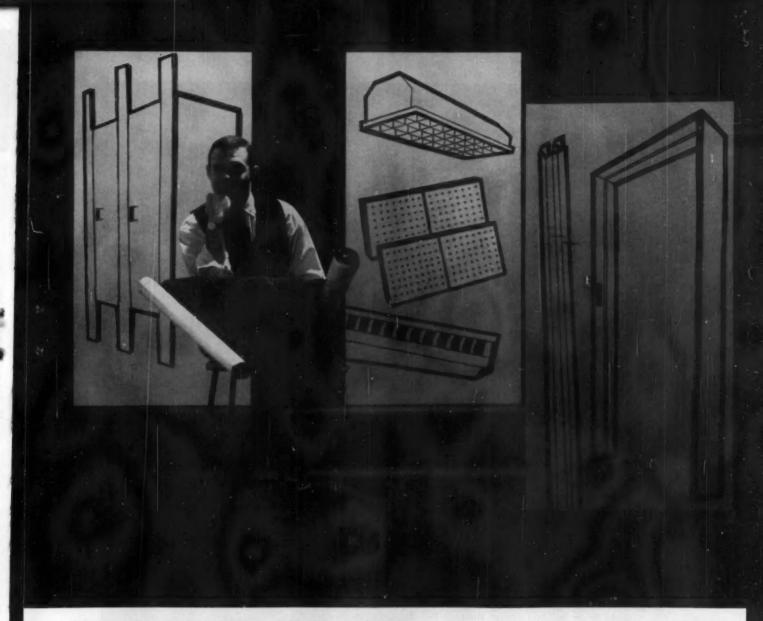








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The building, located atop Mount Royal in the heart of the city and adjoining the existing university campus, is divided into four main blocks which are subdivided in eight wings. The main block on the front contains administration, library, classrooms, offices, laboratory of strength of materials and general vestiary and cafeteria. The two lateral blocks contain various departments as does the rear block, which also has the Department of Hydraulic, the most modern in Canada, with facilities that include reservoirs, a larger ship canal, and a turbine canal, all constructed of prestressed concrete.





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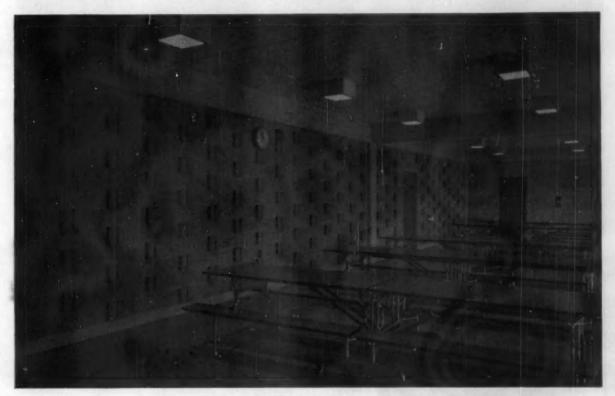
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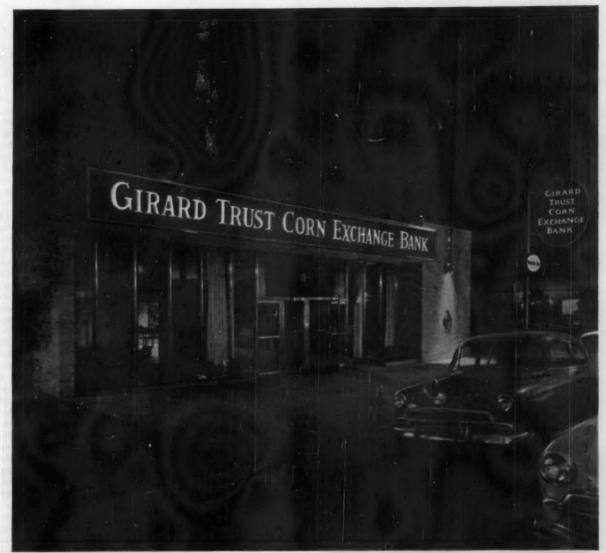
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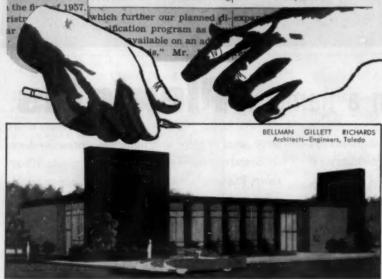
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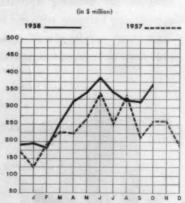
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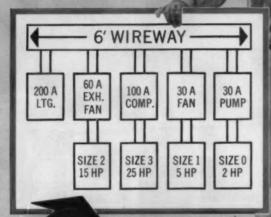
visits to Canada. On October 3, at McGill University, Montreal, Richard Neutra gave a public lecture under the auspices of the Ecole des Beaux-Arts and the McGill School of Architecture. On October 9, Louis Kahn addressed the University of British Columbia School of Architecture in Vancouver. (Mr. Kahn also spoke at the A.I.A. Northwest Regional Conference, held this year October 10-12 at Harrison Hot Springs, B. C.). . . . Theme for the next Ontario Association of Architects convention, to be held at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, February 5-7, will be "The Master Art." Chairman Robert Servos says it will present an opportunity for "architects to take a look at themselves, historically and legally." Prof. Nikolaus Pevsner, Britain's well-known architectural critic, has agreed to lead discussion on the historical aspects of the profession: and it is hoped that Hon. Mr. Justice Stewart of the Ontario Supreme Court, authority on architectural copyright, will handle the legal department. . . . Richard E. Bolton, Montreal architect, heads the 29member Special Housing Committee recently appointed by the Associate Committee on the National Building Code of the National Research Council. First meeting of the group was held in Ottawa on September 25.

The Massey Medals for Architecture, Canada's top architectural awards, will be presented by the Governor General at ceremonies scheduled for the National Gallery December 5. Purpose of the Medals, instituted in 1950 and presented again in 1952 and 1955, is to encourage architects to higher achievement and to promote public interest in architecture.

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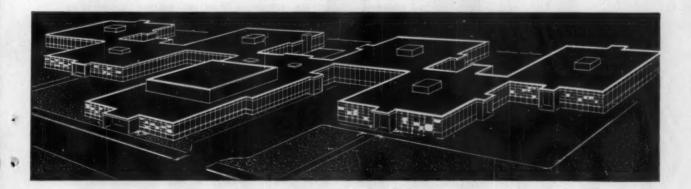
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The Airways Modernization Board, now part of the new Federal Aviation Agency, considers its completed research project on exit taxiway location and design to be of very high value to architects and engineers starting immediate modernization of runway capacity for the jet age.

This study was completed by the

Institute of Transportation and Traffic Engineering of the University of California, Berkeley, and announced this fall.

Involved were tests to determine the location and safe, comfortable turn radii for exit taxiways that are designed to permit higher turn-off speeds: that is, to equip the airport to accept more aircraft in a given time.

The findings are contained in a 90-page publication and results are being made available to all interested persons or organizations.

Here are some of the general con-

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—The most significant factor affecting the turning radius is speed, not the total angle of turn nor passenger comfort. (Passenger comfort was not critical in any of the turning movements.)

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—It was found that a larger radius curve is desirable as providing a transition from a straight-ahead direction to a more sharply curved path. If the transition is not provided, tire wear on large jets might be excessive.

—More information is needed on stopping distance. For the present, the recommendation was for length of turnoff based on a 3.3 ft per sec deceleration rate. This is applicable only to transports.

(Daytime and night guidance is covered in detail.)

A discussion of exit distance from threshold brought out the important effect of altitude and temperature. If only two exits are provided on a runway and the airport is to serve (1) conventional piston-engine transports and prop-jets of a similar size and (2) large jet transports, distances of 4000 ft and 6500 ft from threshold were suggested for exit speeds not exceeding 60 mph. At a given airport, consideration must be given to modifying these distances for altitude, temperature and prevailing winds. If four exits are provided. the report suggests distances of 3000, 4000, 5500 and 6500 ft.

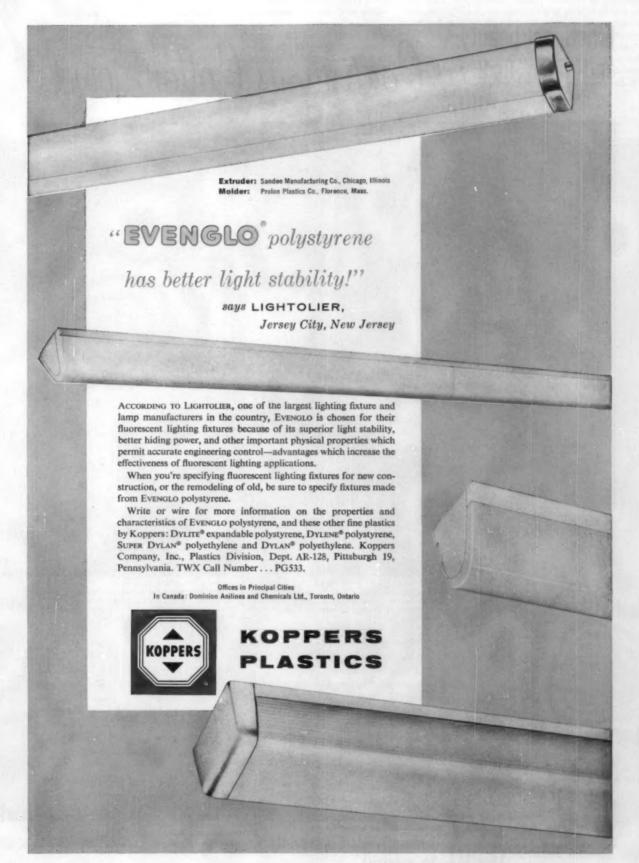
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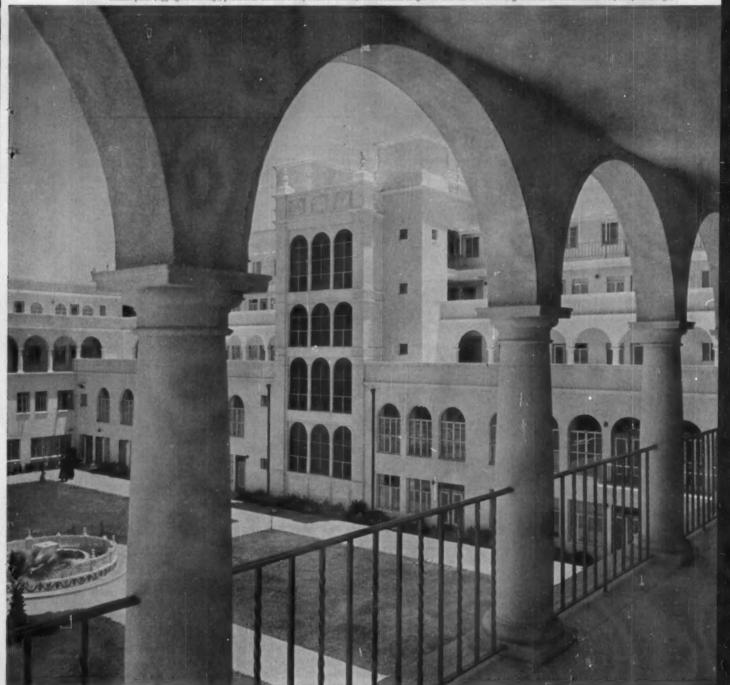
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1951	252.0	248.3	238.5	240.9	239.0	245.2	240.4	239.6	243.1	243.1
1952	259.1	253.2	249.7	255.0	249.6	250.2	245.0	245.6	248.7	249.6
1953	263.4	256.4	259.0	267.0	259.2	255.2	257.2	256.6	261.0	259.7
1954	266.6	260.2	263.7	273.3	266.2	257.4	249.2	264.1	272.5	267.2
1955	273.3	266.5	272.2	281.3	276.5	268.0	259.0	275.0	284.4	279.6
1956	298.7	280.3	287.9	299.2	293.3	279.0	270.0	288.9	298.6	295.8
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Cost comparisons, as percentage differences, for any particular type of construction, are possible between localities, or periods of time within the same city, by dividing the difference between the two index numbers by one of them; i.e.:

297.6

298.3

298.3

170.7

288.3

289.2

289.2

170.3

306.2

306.4

% increase over 1939

158.1

July 1958

August 1958

September 1958

September 1958

index for city A = 110 index for city B = 95

(both indexes must be for the same type of construction).

Then: costs in A are approximately 16 per cent higher than in B.

315.0

315.2

315.5

165.1

290.7

291.4

291.4

275.6

276.5

276.5

320.0

320.1

320.2

167.3

$$\frac{110 - 95}{95} = 0.158$$

Conversely: costs in B are approximately 14 per cent lower than in A.

$$\frac{110 - 95}{110} = 0.136$$

Cost comparisons cannot be made between different types of construction because the index numbers for each type relate to a different U. S. average for 1926-29.

329.1

329.2

329.2

170.0

322.6

322.8

322.8

177.1

313.2

313.3

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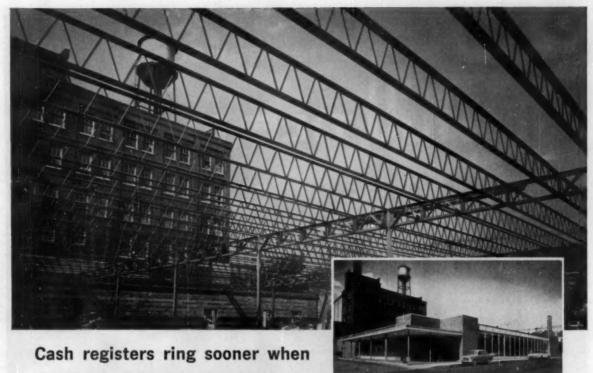
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#### Churches: Mystic and Organizer

THE CHURCH INCARNATE: THE SACRED FUNC-TION OF CHRISTIAN ARCHITECTURE. By Rudolf Schwarz. Translated by Cynthia Harris. Foreword by Mies van der Rohe. Henry Regnery Ca., 20 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago 4. 231 pp., illus. \$7.50.

WHEN YOU BUILD YOUR CHURCH. By John R. Scotford. Channel Press, 159 Northern Blud., Great Neck, N. Y. 245 pp., illus. (rev. ed.). \$3.50.

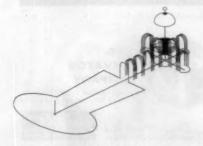
BY JOHN OLIVER NELSON Yale University Divinity School

Church construction does demand both mystic and organizer, and these two books—each admirable in its field—represent the extremes of the two approaches. Schwarz is the notable architect of more than 60 German churches, and Scotford the practical American planner and building-campaign adviser.

Mies van der Rohe's words for this translation of Schwarz' original 1938 classic are sober fact: "This book throws light for the first time on the question of church building, and illuminates the whole problem of architecture itself. Yet it is not only a great book on architecture; indeed, it is one of the truly great books—one of those which have the power to transform our thinking."

Writing as a devout Roman Catholic, Schwarz discerns six historic types of spiritual-psychological mystique in church building down through the Christian centuries. The "ring," a close-knit circle of people around a sacramental table, is the first. Second is the "open ring," edifice and group opened to great new vistas behind the altar, still with the officiant in the center. The third type is the "chalice," the dome-abovedome form with the basilica variant, and with the altar shifted often to an apsis. The "way," people in a

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squared procession, marching as it were with leader at the head, is the fourth basic form, the church serving as canopy from portal to altar in sometimes involved courts and added vistas. (The designs of Desiderius Lenz, in a "succession of spaces corresponding to the succession of periods within the history of salvation," wondrous and impractical, are genially noted here.) Fifth among the types is the "cast," worshipers facing a rounded apse whose continued on page 268

#### After "No Parking," What?

PARKING. By Geoffrey Baker and Bruno Funaro. Reinhold Publishing Corp., 430 Park Ave., New York 22. 202 pp., illus. \$9.50.

BY JOHN T. WEEKS

An automobile is not a conveniently disposable item. Weighing a couple of tons and occupying a good round thousand cubic feet on the average. it is a rather uncompromising lump. putting aside esthetic questions, and deserves more attention than it has, to date, received. Astronomic numbers of words have been composed into praise, and even damnation, but only a few magazine articles (e.g., "Commercial Parking Garages," AR, September '58) and learned texts have been devoted to the question of what you do with the thing when you're not using it.

Mr. Baker, presently of Yale University's Graduate Program in City Planning, and the late Mr. Funaro, who at the time of his death (1957) was assistant dean of the School of Architecture at Columbia University, collaborated on several earlier compendia and have, in this volume, filled a previously empty place in the architect's reference shelf.

The text treats almost all aspects of the parking problem of today, only holding aloof from the commercial - operator - versus - municipal authority squabble. It is evident to the authors that the parking attendant has no great future in an economy of rising costs and wages, so they are firmly partisan in the only other large-scale disagreement in the field.

The book is full of meat only slightly marbled with fat. There are many examples of parking garages, of which 33 are complete with plans of

representative floors, there are 23 pages of charts and diagrams, and the layout is easy to follow with very few exceptions. One thing, more exceptionable than any other, really causes difficulty in following the text: the captions are in every case in the same type face and size as the body of the text, breaking the thread of concentration in many annoying ways. Some of the graphs in the middle of the book are difficult to read, but there are no other marked construction difficulties.

In certain of their conclusions the authors are opposing at least part of the stream of professional opinion (full of eddies as it is), most notably in their championing of the 90-deg parking layout. Factually the authors run afoul of the Pigeon Hole parking machine manufacturers, who have told the reviewer that their machine will park cars two deep on at least one side of the elevator well.

In any case this book is complete, authoritative, full of sound opinion, and possessed of an excellent index—altogether worthy of the architect's \$9.50.

#### Sound and Its Problems

ACOUSTICS, NOISE AND BUILDINGS. By P. H. Parkin and H. R. Humphreys. Frederick A. Praeger, Inc., 15 W. 47th St., New York 86. 331 pp. illus. \$15.

Richard Neutra has said, "Architecture is illuminated not only by light but by sound as well." However, the study of sound can be an exasperating one, because it requires the fusion of contributions from such dissimilar fields-physics, music, physengineering, iology, psychology. Eventually, a unified discipline may arise. Much of the pressure toward this end stems from the realization that research in sound may yield results of unexpected importance to the structuring of our sensory environment. Problems of acoustics and noise control, especially, are being treated more and more sympathetically, and it is now rare to encounter a new concert hall or auditorium that makes hash of music or speech.

The present volume, its British authors declare, "is not a textbook on physical acoustics . . . nor is it addressed only to architects. . . .

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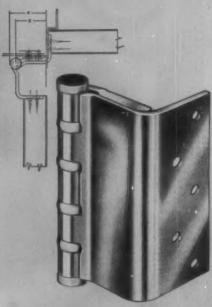
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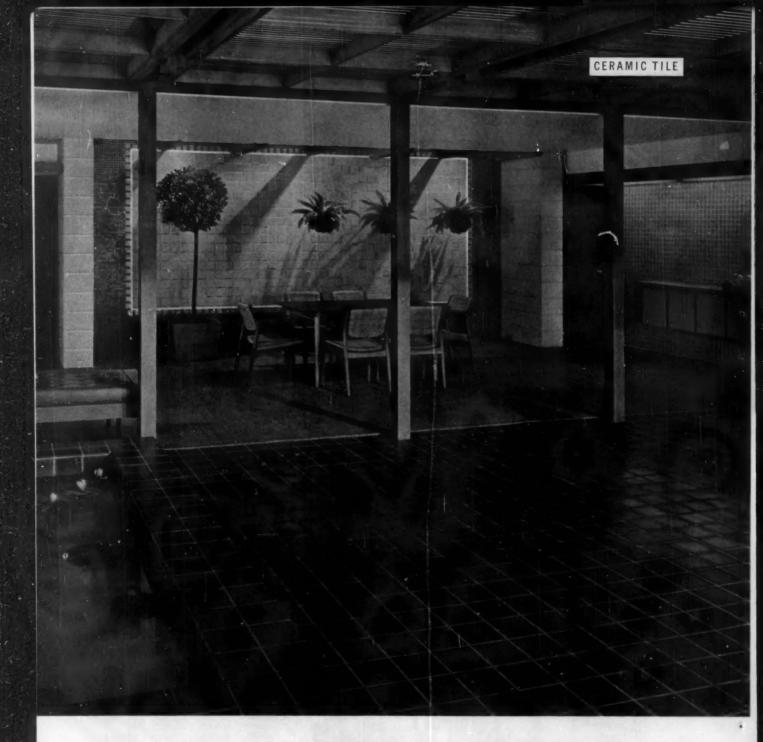
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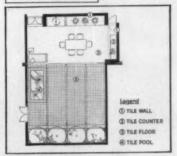
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### Required Reading

Sound . . .

The information is designed for specialist readers . . . and may even be of some use to the layman." Unfortunately, the book suffers from this shotgun approach. Some topics, like noise measurement, are over-detailed; others, like audiology and music reproduction, are scanted. The result is an extremely uneven presentation. There are also some curious omissions. Surely, for example, the authors might profitably have included the work of their countryman, G. A. Briggs, on volume levels in large halls.

Although this book might serve as an addition to the reference shelf, it is not recommended to the architect who seeks either an introduction to or a comprehensive study of acoustics and noise control in buildings. -ARTHUR FISHER

#### Houses Here, Furniture Abroad

OLD VIRGINIA HOUSES ALONG THE JAMES. By Emmie Ferguson Farrar. Hastings House, 151 E. 50th St., New York 22. 231 pp., illus. \$12.50

ENGLISH FURNITURE. By John Gloag. Macmillan Co., 80 Fifth Ave., New York 11. 181 pp., illus. (4th ed.). \$8.75.

These two books are written from antithetical points of view. Mrs. Farrar's book on Virginia houses is an unabashed exercise in sentiment and nostalgia, directing an affectionate and lingering gaze upon the past, while Mr. Gloag's book, dealing with the production of an era equally remote in time, avoids any considerations other than technical and esthetic ones.

The first book is a large and handsome volume profusely illustrated with excellent photographs, both interior and exterior, of Virginia habitations ranging from simple farmhouses to great mansions such as Westover and Carter's Grove, and including a few public buildings. There is no attempt at formal analysis; rather, the approach is anecdotal, a "remembrance of things past" that would serve as an admirable guide to anyone planning a sentimental journey through tidewater Virginia.

Mr. Gloag's book, a new edition of a work originally published in 1934, is a compact volume dealing with English furniture not from the usual antiquarian point of view, but by the more rigorous modern standards of functional and esthetic honesty and sincerity. Vulgar design and shoddy craftsmanship are reprobated,

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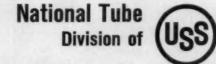
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# Western Section®

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Not Designed to be Selfish An architect at a recent public relations meeting grumbled, "I'd rather the newspapers even gave us bad publicity than none at all. It's better at least to be mentioned than to be utterly ignored." But I wonder if he really meant that. And I wonder how many others feel the same way.

I wonder if another profession—the medical—would agree with him after its experience in California this fall. An investigation in one part of the state had been commissioned by a medical group to determine the truth of charges of malpractice in hospital management. The report was not originally intended for publication but an enterprising newsman smoked it out, a newspaper published excerpts of it, and a furor was set off. For the report indicated more startling evidence of malpractice by doctors than by hospitals.

Unfortunately for the medical profession it got publicity—plenty of it—which it would much have preferred not to have had and which did nothing to enhance its relations with the public. For the essence of public relations is the producing of a favorable impression in the public mind.

Of course publicity is a part of any overall public relations program. Of course it is necessary that a profession let the public know what it does in the public interest. But it cannot be the basis for that program, or its sole goal. The basis for the program must be service to the public; the goal, a better understanding and appreciation of the profession's function and performance. Yet it is surprising how many architects see no difference between publicity and public relations, even after six years of the Institute's national public relations program.

The considered opinion of the profession on a question which involves knowledge the public does not have can be a public service; the pursuance for the public's good of civic projects which might be lost in a welter of more short-sighted interests can be a public service; vision to foresee what will result from actions contemplated by public officials can be a public service. Effective action along these lines is public relations; the report to the public on them is valid publicity.

What led to the commissioning of a master plan for San Francisco's Civic Center was public relations; what followed the plan's presentation was publicity. The presentation could never have happened without unselfish effort through a good many years by architects who worked first for the good of the public and second for the good of their profession.

Unselfish action and concern for the public good are requirements for good public relations. "We are not designed to be selfish," Fred Severud says; and we can fulfill in part that destiny when we think of architecture as service, both in our private practice and in our public relations programs, knowing that publicity, if deserved, will follow real service to the public. Any other kind of publicity is only a puff of wind, and carries as much weight.

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## A Master Plan for San Francisco's Civic Center-At Last

For ten years architects and planners of San Francisco have been urging the city to provide a master plan for development of its civic center instead of haphazardly building new facilities around it, destroying its beauty as well as its unity. Finally, two years ago, funds were appropriated to engage two architectural firms and an engineering consultant to study the needs of city, county, state and federal agencies and to recommend ways of maintaining the Civic Center's character and beauty.

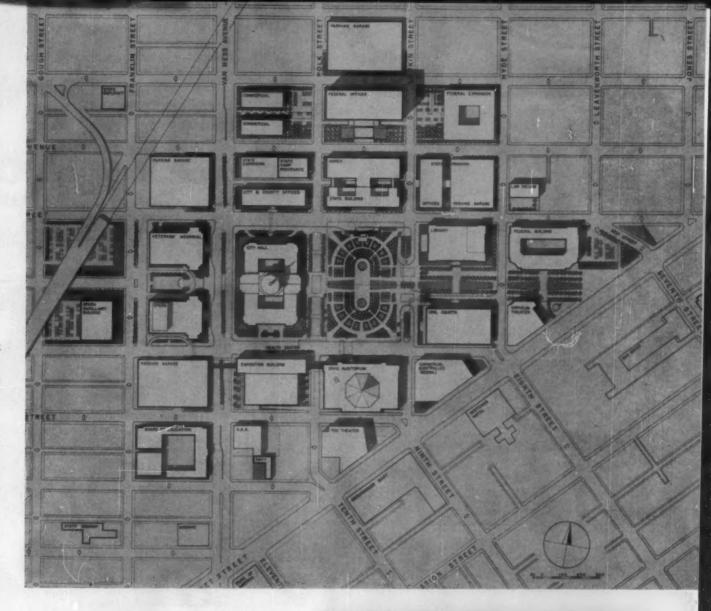
The plan, presented in October just before the recent elections, recognizes the two different uses to which the Center's buildings are put: those on the north and east—city, county, state and federal offices and courts—are primarily for day use; those on the south and west—Opera House, Museum, convention facilities—are very often used at night. What new buildings the plan suggests have been located so that the two functions remain separate but make it possible to share facilities when necessary. "Bold and exciting," the San Francisco Chronicle called it; "a practical plan that can be implemented without undue strain," said James McCarthy, the city's planning director, of it.

Above all, the master plan is a plea for "completion of the immediate Plaza area in a manner retaining the architectural quality and dignity of the surrounding buildings," for "enhancing the established traditions and for utilizing the best of contemporary technology, planning and design."

The plan provides for civic needs over a 20-year period. When it was presented to the city\*, bond issues were before the voters which—had they passed—would have made possible an immediate start on the implementation of the master plan. Since the bonds failed to pass a proposed new courthouse and a remodeling of the City Hall and the Civic Auditorium are still in the future.

But work on the Civic Center is not at a complete standstill: construction of an underground garage at the north end of the Plaza is to get under way this month. When it is completed, the Plaza, for which Douglas Baylis is landscape architect, will be landscaped.

At a civic luncheon sponsored by the Northern California chapter, A.I.A., which emphasized the chapter's part during the last 10 years in persuading the city to appropriate funds for a master plan study.



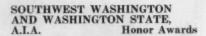
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Master plan is first study of civic center needs since 1911. Photo of model opposite shows proposed buildings including Courts building (center, left of mall); exposition hall and city and county offices (left and right of City Hall). Pedestrian mall will eventually be created from Market Street (lower right) to Plaza, providing unimpeded view of City Hall. New 20-story federal office building, soon to be built, will be two blocks away, set off by open park





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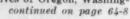


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#### CONVENTIONS: Wherever and Whatever, They Stimulate the Mind

This year's Western professional conferences—three architectural, one engineering—all fell within a period just over three weeks long, making an unusual opportunity for comparison not only of program but of reaction. Next year's schedule will not offer such an opportunity, as two A.I.A. conferences are to be held at the same time in widely separated places: Honolulu and Spokane.

The four Western groups which met this fall were the Western Mountain, Northwest and California-Hawaii-Nevada regions of the A.I.A., and the Structural Engineers Association of California (which included representatives of Oregon, Washing-





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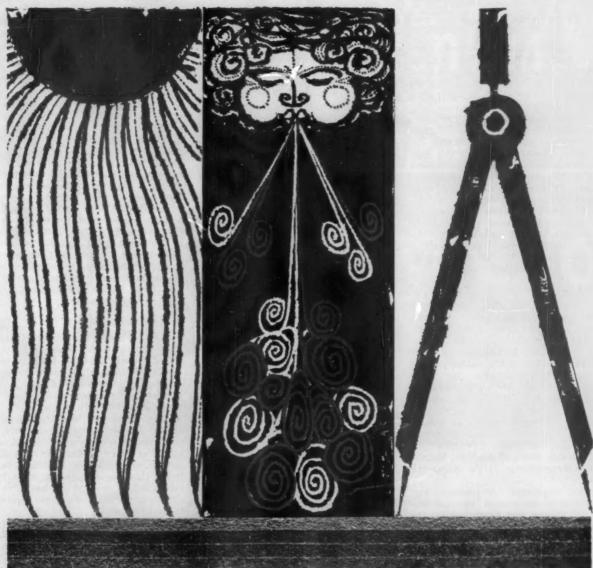
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ton and Arizona groups as well). The range of their subjects was as great as the physical distance between their locations; and the difference in the approach to program planning was only slightly less great.

Better-than-ever attendance characterized all of the gatherings, and the weather smiled on all but one. The Northwest conference, held this year in British Columbia as a joint conference with Architectural Institute of British Columbia, was drenched with rain which let up but never completely stopped during the conference. But this proved more of an advantage than not, since it made a captive audience of what might have been—at such a place as Harrison Hot Springs—a highly dispersed group.

### Structural Engineers

There is a vast difference between the convention of a group of architects and that of a group of engineers, and in the case of the California engineers, it has become more than a matter of "technical" versus "theoretical" programs. The engineers' programs are highly technical, nicely larded with formulae, reports on seismic or column research, and detailed information of very specific topics such as "Structural Steel-Choosing the Right Connector" or "Modified Turn-of-the-Nut Method for Tensioning High Strength Bolts".4

But engineers' conventions now seem to revolve around the social program chosen and developed by the ladies committee and built around a central theme. This social program more and more pervades every phase of the convention except the actual technical sessions. Last year the theme was "A Cruise on the S.S. Liberté"; this year it was "Around the World in 80 Hours," featuring a costume dance (for which most of the elaborate costumes were rented; only a few represented creative effort on the part of their wearers) with grand march and prizes.

The architects' conventions—all of them more like conferences, this year, than formerly—never lacked for social pleasures but this side of the program never had a chance to dominate as at the engineers' convention. Consequently these architects' conferences performed the service which the regional conference was set up to do: to provide a sort of grass-roots opportunity to talk, formally and in-

formally, about the things that door should—concern architects in their professional activities. With the social aspects well-proportioned to the rest of the program, the fellowship essential to any such gathering assumed its rightfully important but supplementary place.

### California Architects

Of the three architectural programs, that of the California Council's meeting at Monterey offered the greatest stimulus and seemed to set the highest note. With the theme "Creativeness in Architecture," this year's convention actually presented what was a conference within a convention, for the professional program was so organized that each session built into the development of the theme, almost with a quality of inevitability, while around it took place the usual convention events: exhibits of professional work, exhibits of products, door prize drawings, board and committee meetings, sports programs and so on. But for once the really important thing at the convention was the program itself-a statement attested to by the attendance at the sessions which ran to the astounding figure of 750 on the final day, and never went below the 300 mark, even on the first day, a Wednesday. Not even the ideal Fall weather nor the beauties and delights of the Monterey peninsula were able to compete with the program.

From the opening panel discussion on "The Creative Mind" (with a psychologist, Dr. Donald McKinnon of the University of California's Institute of Personality Assessment and Research; a composer, Robert Erickson: furniture designer Charles Eames; pioneer industrial designer Jo Sinel and moderator Robert Anshen) which explored the mental, temperamental and personality traits that make for creative activity in any line, through the consideration of "Materials as Creative Tools" with Tacoma architect Robert Price describing his work in plywood on a special structure, and "Structure in Creative Design" with New York engineer Fred N. Severud, the audience was intent on subject and speakers. This interest reached its high point on Friday when the two sessions on "Creativeness in Architecture," focussed first on the analysis of design, then on the synthesis of the processes which lead to creative architecture, were led by architects: Victor Lundy of Sarasota, Fla., talking on his philosophy of architecture with specific reference to his Bee Ridge Presbyterian Church and the Warm Mineral Springs motel; Walter Netsch of Chicago, describing the chapel for the Air Force Academy for which he was designer; Paul Thiry, F.A.I.A., of Seattle, describing the State Library he has designed for Washington at Olympia; and Harry Weese of Chicago who brought the conference to a close with his talk on the creative synthesis, "the reconciliation of opposites, the essence of creativity."

Especially intended for junior associates and students, the session on design in the large office was so good that it should have been included in the main program. Young designers and architects—Neill Smith of John Carl Warnecke's office; Richard Hein of Anshen & Allen; and James Langenheim of Periera & Luckman—each described a project on which he had been designer, presenting as he did so the design philosophy of the firm he represented.

### Northwest Region

The Northwest's conference, centered on the theme "Toward a Better Environment," featured Louis Kahn, Philadelphia architect as principal speaker in a rambling exposition of his personal philosophy of architecture, illustrated with examples of his work. Summarized by Canadian architect Warnett Kennedy, this conference, too, sought a reconciliation of opposites: the dichotomy between affective and effective qualities, between thinking and feeling, must be reconciled if we are to have "the chance to see the moral sense applied to architecture."

As usual, the business meeting of the Northwest conference was a highlight, for the farther North one goes, the more independent the spirit. and nowhere is this more manifest, surely, than in the architectural profession. The eight resolutions of the conference covered such a range of topics as reduction of national A.I.A. dues to permit greater emphasis on local and regional activities; requests to governors of Northwest states to take advantage of special federal funds for states with billboard control legislation; greater autonomy to the host chapter in planning professional programs at national conventions; review of national honor awards program procedure to provide better screening of entries.

### Western Mountain Region

The third regional architects conference—actually the first of the fall meetings—took as its theme "Living With the Sun," highly appropriate for the country's sunniest area (the continued on page 64-14

<sup>\*</sup>Talks by Henry J. Stetina, A.I.S.C., and M. H. Frincke, Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel Corp., respectively, at Structural Engineers Convention, Yosemite National Park, October 4, 1958.

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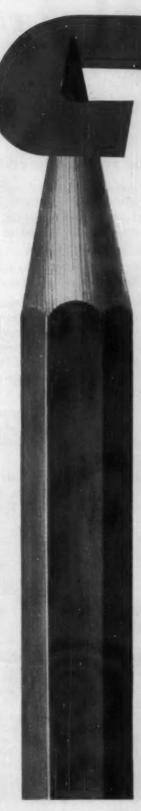
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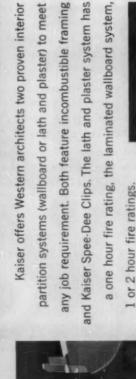
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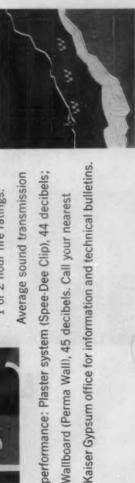
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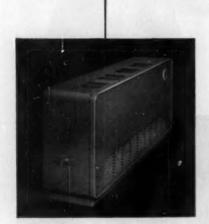
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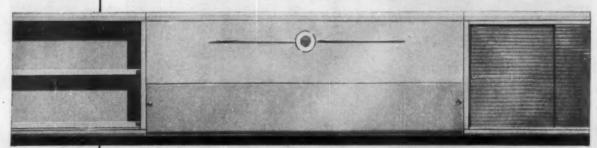
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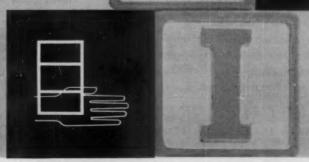
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Western Mountain region). Highlight of the conference was the visit, en masse, to the Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, now partially occupied although construction is still under way on the Library and some parts of the Academic building, and landscaping is just going into the plaza near the dining hall. Reactions were—expectably—varied; none were lukewarm, but it was interesting to see who thought what.

Of the professional sessions, the theme session was the most provocative, with talks by Dr. Walter Orr Roberts, director of the High Altitude Laboratory at Climax, Colo., on "The Sun and Its Climate," and John I. Yellott, former director of the Association for Applied Solar Energy, on current directions in research in that field. Architects Ralph Rapson, Morris Ketchum and Sidney Little also spoke on architecture and the

sun's influence. A.I.A. President John Richards and Executive Secretary Edmund Purves spoke on the Institute; and there were panels on public relations and "The Spaces Between" (with Vernon DeMars of the University of California and Denver's Planning Director George Nez). Something, indeed, for everyone.

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### Opening Fall 1959: the Denver Hilton

Thirteen years after he first bought the land for his Courthouse Square project, William Zeckendorf could see that what he dreamed of then would actually be completed in one more year. He signed a lease with Conrad Hilton for the new hotel now under construction, thus assuring Denver of the downtown hotel accommodations it has so badly needed.

And on the same day he drew his first check—for \$9,000,000—on the \$22,500,000 loan from Prudential Insurance company which will make possible the completion of the hotel by the fall of 1959. Construction will soon be on a two-shift basis to meet

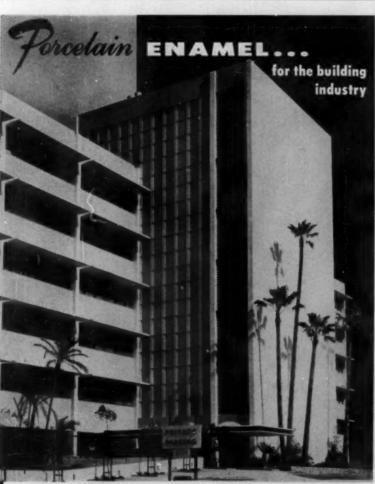
the scheduled opening.

The hotel is rising over what is said to be the biggest hole ever dug in this country for a privately-financed construction project: two blocks long, 60 ft deep. In the hole now are four levels which include a concourse with tea room, cafeteria, specialty shop and access to the 2000-car parking garage which is a part of the Courthouse Square development.

Hilton leased the hotel at a minimum rental of \$1,000,000 a year for a 35-year period, with three 25-year options in addition, Hilton Hotels will furnish and operate the hotel.

The history of the Courthouse Square project is a flamboyant record of trial and tribulation on the part of both its financier and the city of Denver. The city sold Zeckendorf the choice property in 1945 on the understanding that he would make improvements to it, worth \$1,000,000, within two years after building materials became generally available. But for ten years it looked like Zeckendorf's faith in Denver and vice versa were to be strained to the breaking point. The Korean war and the freeze in building materials had kept him from living up to his promise of waking Denver up."

Against this background of expectation and frustration, planning for the development of the Square went on. In early 1955, excavation got under way for the first of the projects—the May Company-Daniels & Fisher department store which was completcontinued on page 64-16



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### State Bonds Pass, S.F.'s Fail

A record number of bond issues confronted California voters this year, but the State proposals had relatively little trouble in passing. This was partly due to the simple majority rule required, and partly to the fact that it is not easy to calculate how much a bond issue will add to one's income tax.

In San Francisco where a number of bonds were being proposed whose importance to the city's future was obvious, none—not even the one which was unopposed—passed. The failure is widely attributed to the raise in property tax rate which they would have caused.

Among successful State issues were \$2 000,000 bonds for construction and equipment of educational, mental and correctional institutions and other State buildings; a \$220,000,000 issue for construction and equipment of school buildings; and for modernization of State-owned San Francisco harbor.

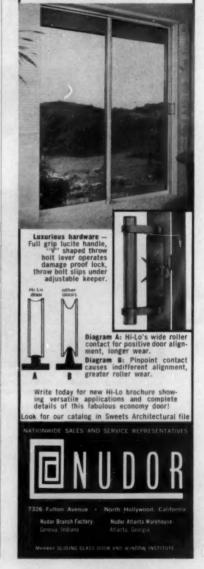
The bonds which San Franciscans failed to pass were for Ferry Park, the controversial few acres left in front of the Ferry Building at the foot of Market Street; for construction of a new Courts building and remodeling of the City Hall; for repairs and expansion of the Civic Auditorium (so badly needed that engineers say the city will soon be bad off for lack of space); and—most controversial of all—for the "rehabilitation" of the Palace of Fine Arts, the beautiful ruins left from the 1915 Exposition.

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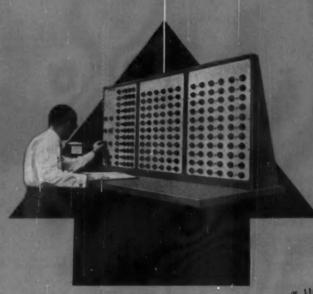
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- DECEMBER 5-6: Northern California chapter, Associated General Contractors, convention, Sheraton Palace Hotel, San Francisco
- DECEMBER 10-18: Van Gogh Paintings, Drawings and Watercolors, Los Angeles County Museum, Exposition Park. Los Angeles
- DECEMBER 13: First annual Oregon State A.I.A. convention, Hotel Benton, Corvallis, Ore.
- DECEMBER 20-JANUARY 15: Exhibition of work of Palmer and Krisel, Architectural Gallery, Building Center, Los Angeles
- JANUARY 7-9: Thirty-fifth anniversary congress, Building Contractors Association of California, Hotel Ambassador, Los Angeles
- JANUARY 23-24: California Council of Civil Engineers and Land Surveyors annual convention, Statler-Hilton Hotel, Los Angeles
- JANUARY 24-27: Sixth annual meeting, Consulting Engineers Association of California, Mark Thomas Inn, Monterey, Calif.
- FEBRUARY 17-19: Church Architecture Conference, sponsored by Church Architectural Guild of America and Department of Church Building, National Council of Churches, Statler-Hilton Hotel, Los Angeles

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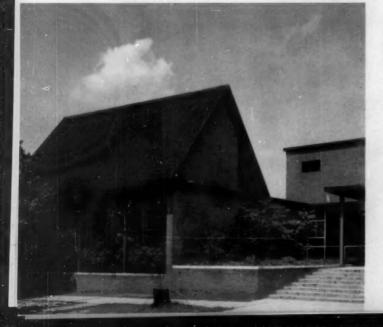
This is St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, selected by the National Council of Churches' Commission on Architecture as one of the 18 outstanding new buildings constructed in the last 25 years. Like thousands of others, we visited the church to admire it, and to ask questions of those who had a part in creating it.

Q. Why and how did the church come into being?

**A. Dr. Thorp**—We needed to provide a better service to our community and especially to provide a new type of religious experience for the students and faculty of a growing university.

Q. What were the main considerations in planning this church?

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A. Mr. Brooks—There were several important considerations in addition to a carefully developed analysis of space requirements. First, it was intended that this building should convey an open message of warmth and welcome to the students and faculty of the university. Second, it was intended that this structure should express the vitality and strength of today's Christian faith and, fundamentally, that it should at the same time preserve the basic traditions of the past.

Q. Why was contemporary design chosen rather than traditional?

A. Mr. Brooks—Any vital religion is in itself contemporary. Therefore, there could be no choice if the architecture is honest.

Q. How did the congregation accept the design?

A. Mr. Keith—Many people felt considerable reservation in judging this new concept. But its significance and simple beauty have now completely outweighed objections.

**Dr. Thorp** – That is true. The wide acclaim from here and abroad—the daily visits by architects and churchmen of all denominations—have done much to reassure our people. For it was their courage and their conviction

which authorized its building. Most of all, however, it was the honesty and the simplicity of this building, the feeling of a truly religious atmosphere from without and within that won over the congregation.

Q. The straightforward use of today's materials—glass, brick, steel—unquestionably produces a convincing architecture—but weren't there attendant problems created such as the one of acoustics?

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Q. Did you use insulating glass?

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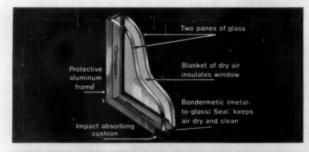
glass were employed along the west side of the nave to provide a secondary view of the adjoining garden court, seen through a decorative interior planting area bordering the west side aisle.

Q. Has your new church accomplished the purposes for which it was designed?

**A. Dr. Thorp**—Yes, indeed! The congregation has tripled. Although four Sunday services are conducted during the normal season, additional seating is usually required beyond the regular nave capacity. New people continue to come every week. All facilities are used to capacity.

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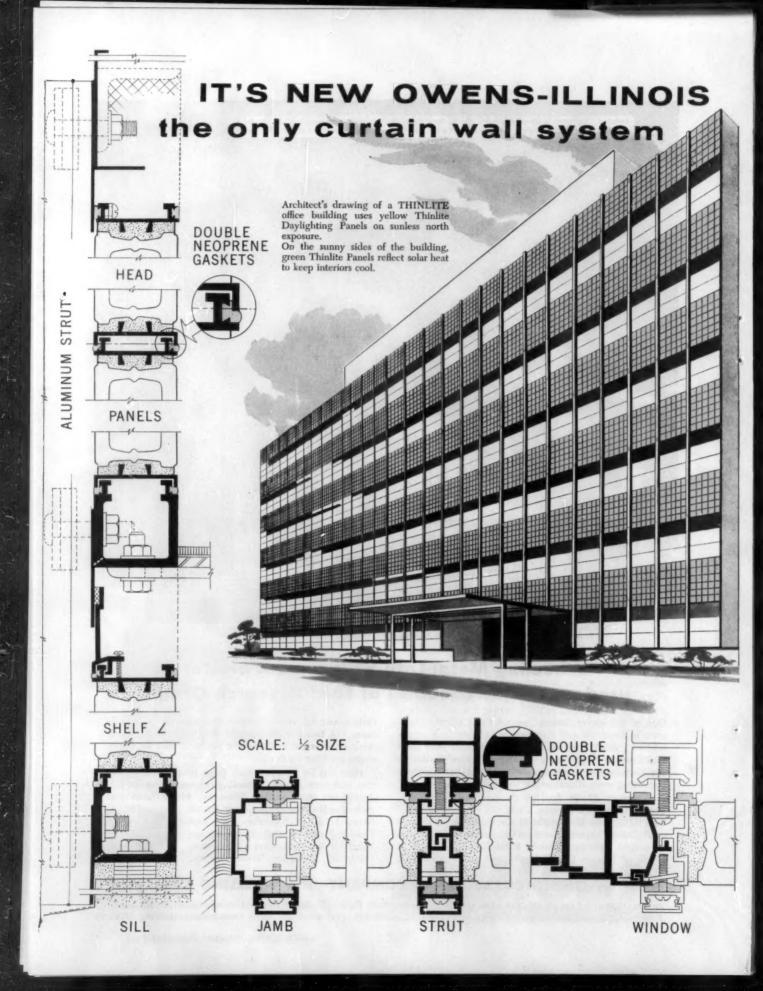
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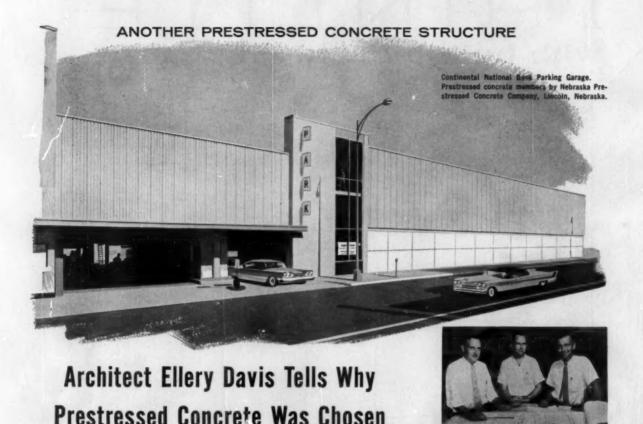
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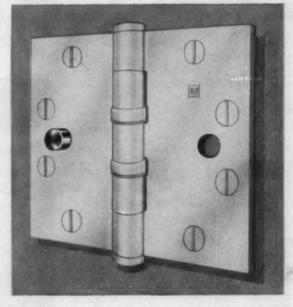
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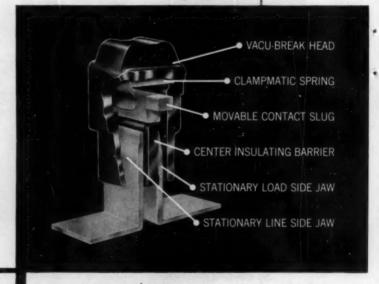
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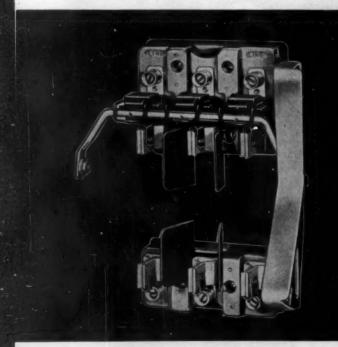
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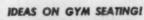






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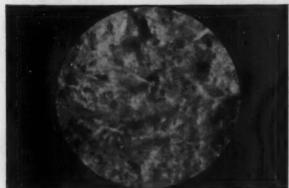
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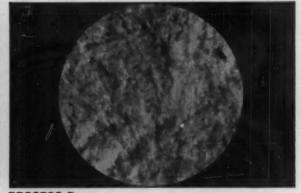


PROCESS B (magnified 20 times)

Notice that insulating board made by Process "B" has little uniformity in its fiber lengths. Some fibers are long, others are powder-like, providing no reinforcement. For a given board density (and thus a given K factor), Barrett's CHEM-FI manufacturing process produces insulating board of maximum strength.



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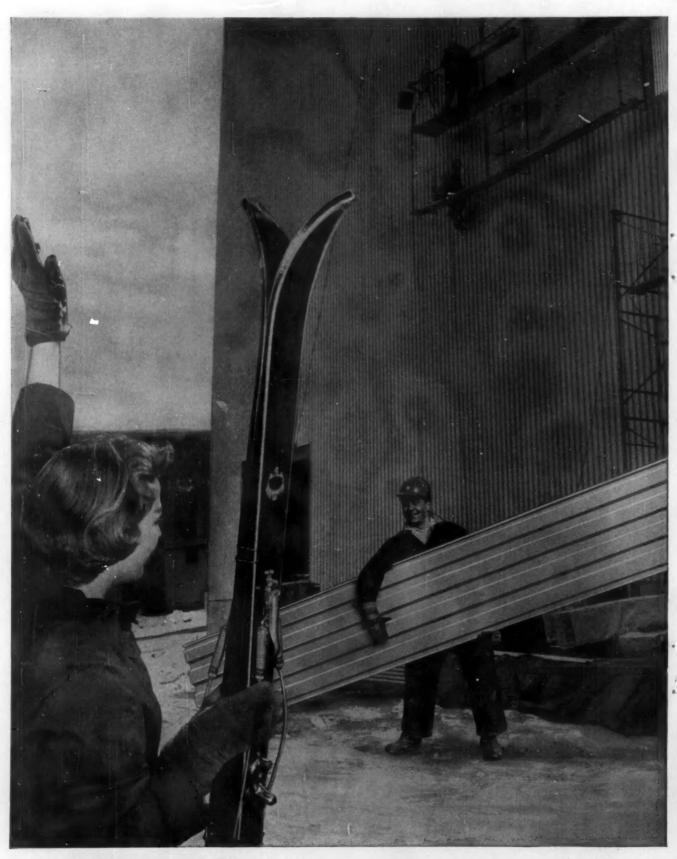
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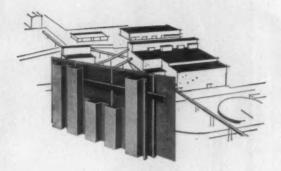
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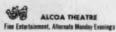
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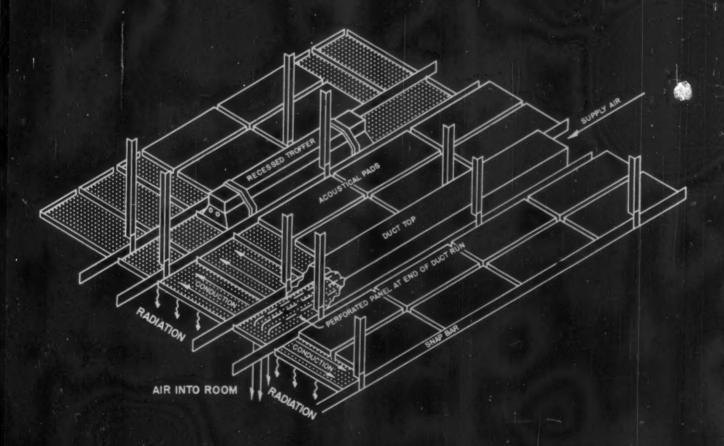


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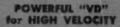
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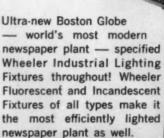




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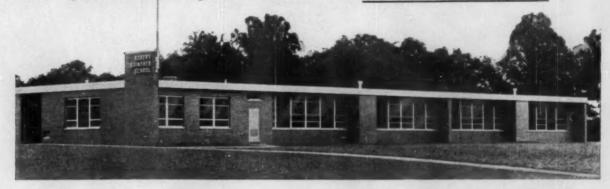
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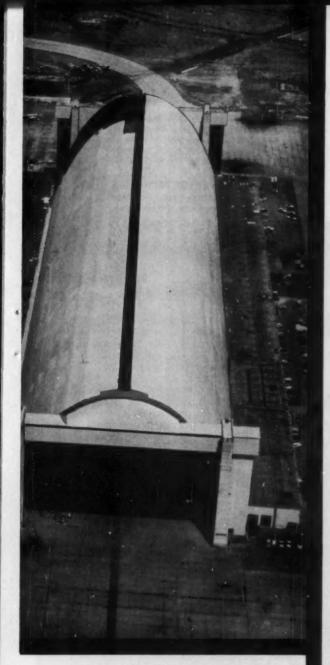
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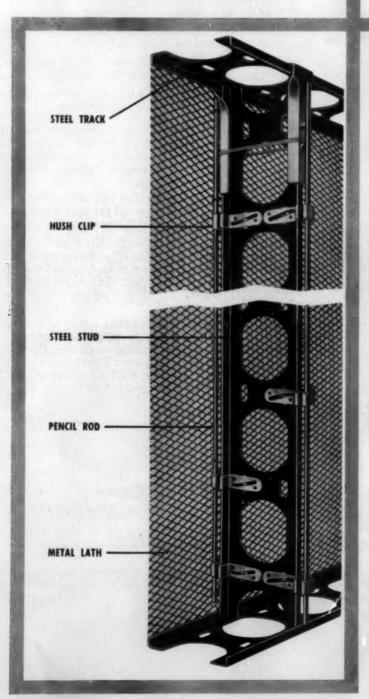
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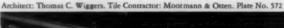
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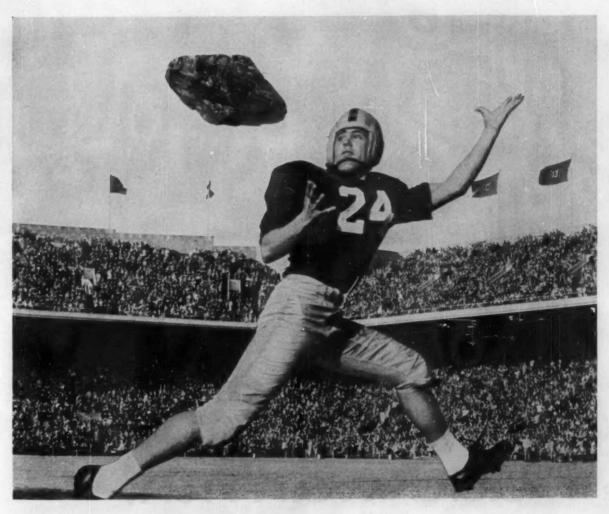


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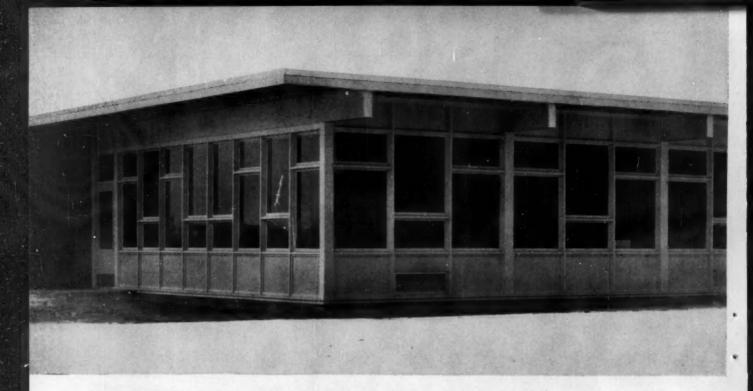
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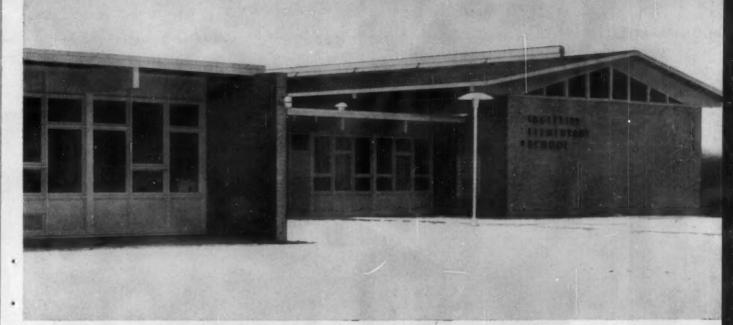
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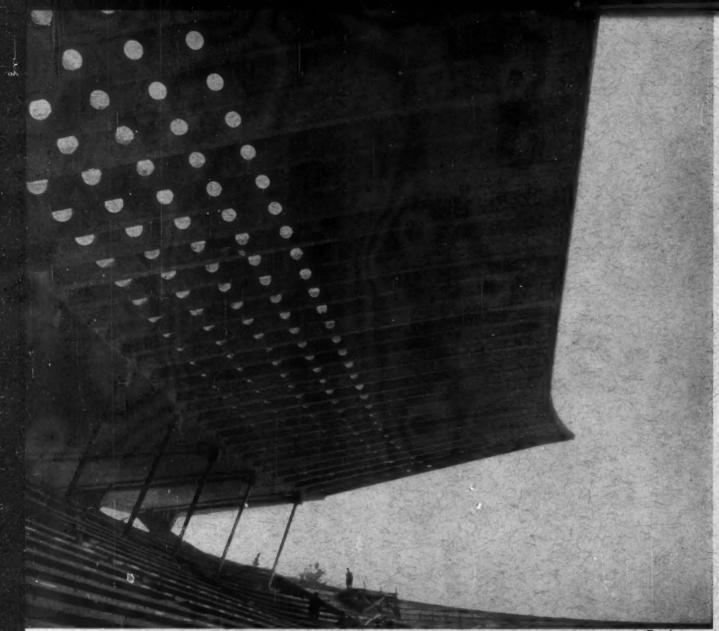


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## For the Olympics: Flaminio Stadium, Rome

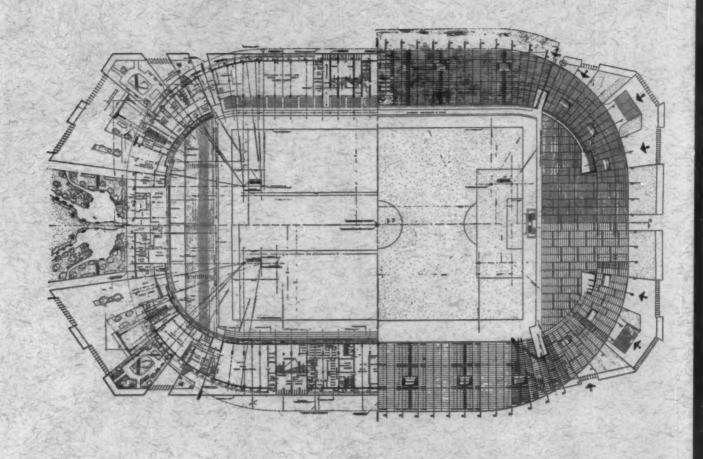
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This structure was built by assembling 7652 precast concrete elements, which were molded on the site during a nine-month period. Seven thousand tons of Portland cement were used. Located in a pleasant residential area in Rome, the Flaminio Stadium-designed for 46,250 spectators and for the XVII Olympiad in 1960-is nearing completion, as the latest photos show.

A pure crescent shape, which Nervi considers the ideal form for such a stadium, since it concentrates the maximum possible audience in the preferred central zone of the long sides, was not practicable here due to the perimetrical shape of the existing playing field and stadium;

prohibitively expensive overhangs would have been required. However, the height of the necessarily straightsided gradins ring was varied in order to reach an optimum seating concentration.

Five gymnasiums and an 82-by-32-ft swimming pool (all to be used during games on the field) were required. They were placed under the stands, in addition to the usual dressing rooms, public toilets, bar, etc. This led to the unusual system of peripheral flying platforms and stairs for public entrance and exit. These and the entire lower external portion of the ring—to a height of roughly 9 ft-are clad in polished Roman travertine.

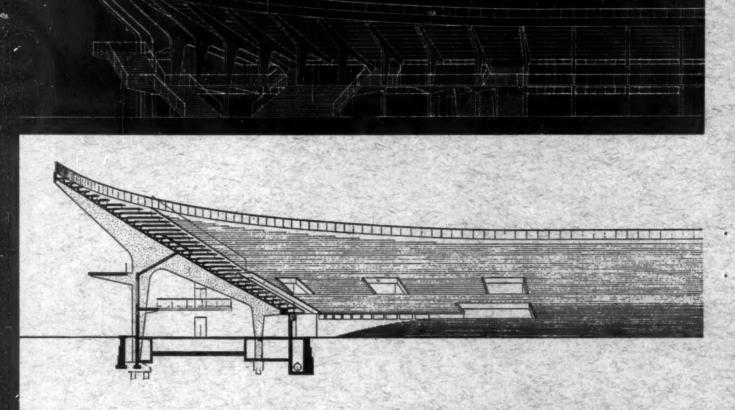




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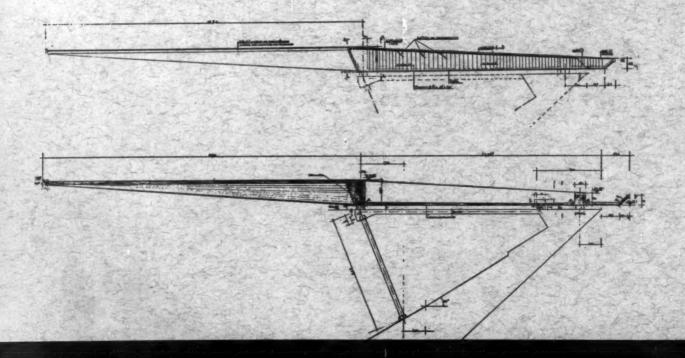


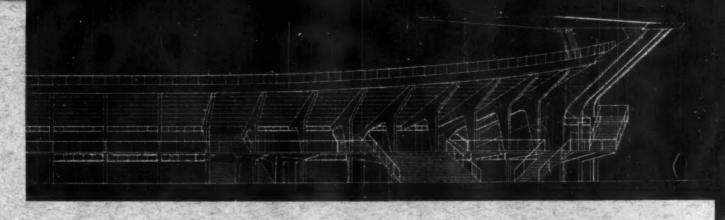


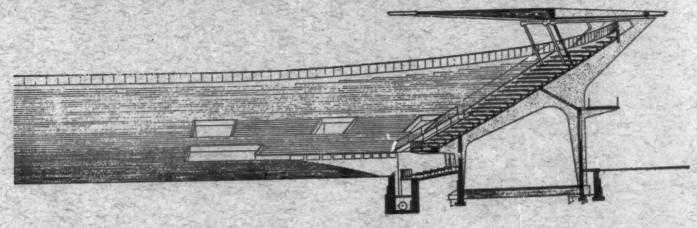
Flaminio Stadium, Rome

The graceful cantilevered roof—details at left—is supported at roughly its two-fifths point by conglomeratefilled, slender steel stanchions. The overhanging portion is undulating in form and is punctured (see p. 108) by circular, glazed openings in order to reduce the deadload and to provide soft lighting for nighttime contests.

The design of the seating and its part in the structural synthesis is notable; refer to Nervi's detail and the photo below. The structure consists of the precast main frames



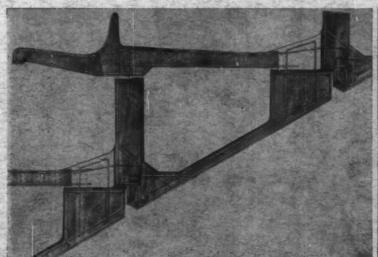




and their lateral struts, plus the two precast elements comprising the gradins and seats. The U-shaped bearing elements—waterproofed to collect and convey rainwater—lie directly on the main frames; are doweled to each other and the frames; are joined at these points by concrete cast in place. As Nervi puts it, the monolithic structural unity of the whole stadium is recovered by such joining.

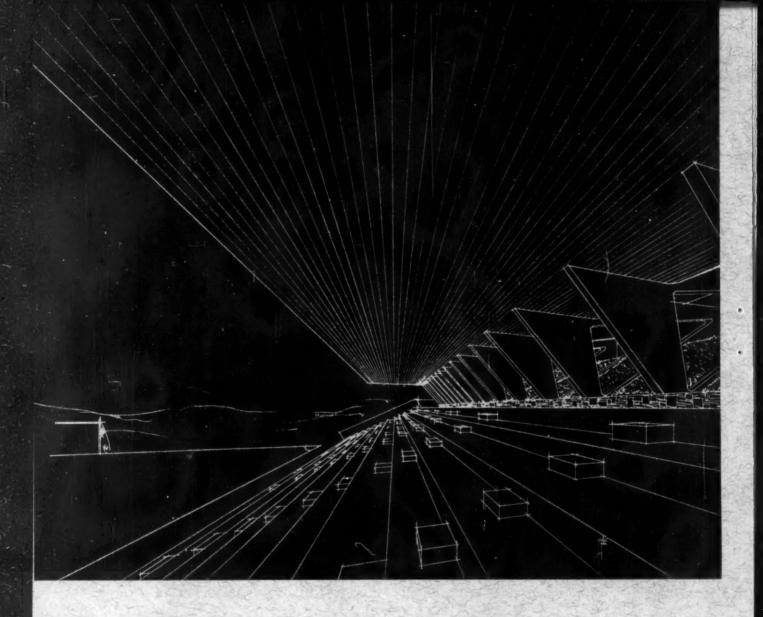
Next, the element comprising the walkway and seats is

added. The 19-in. wide seats are finished in smooth exposed aggregate, the walkways in bush-hammered aggregate. Each finish was placed as a layer in the precasting mold. Note that spectators can pull back their feet to permit passage without soiling the gradin riser. The height of the seats above the walkway remains constant; while the inclination of the gradin flight varies in accordance with the requirements of the optimum visibility curve for spectators.



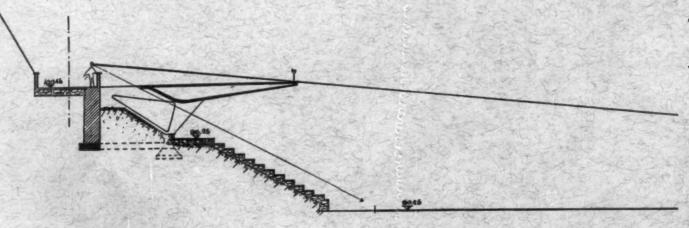


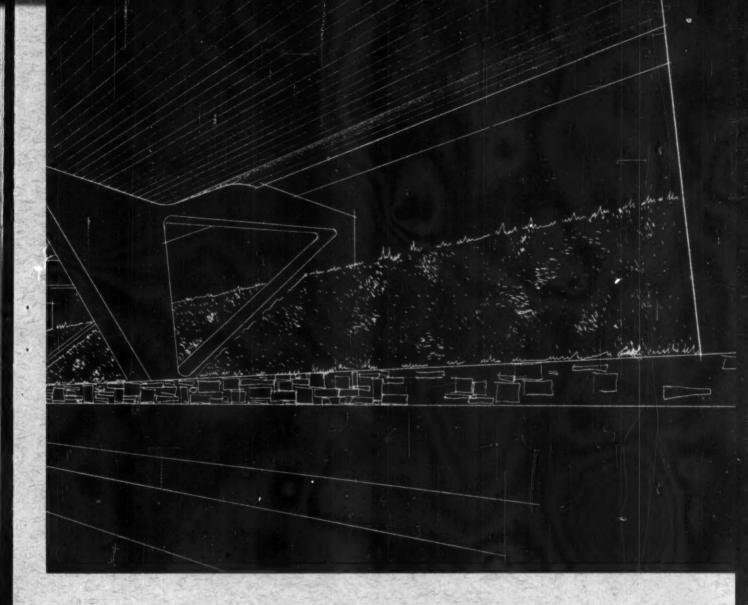
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# An unusual Stadium in Taormina, Sicily

Designed by Pier Luigi Nervi and Antonio Nervi





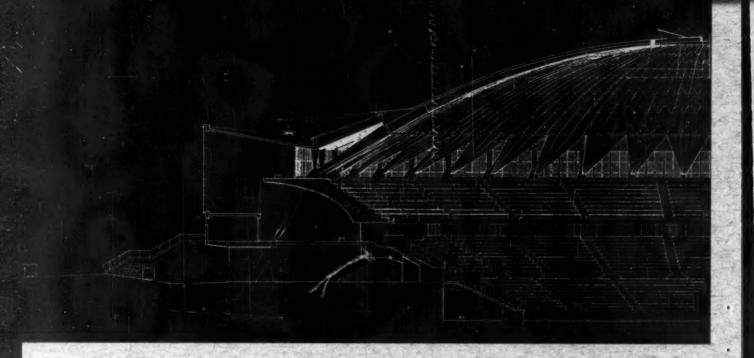
Two principal requirements were set up for this 2300 seat stadium: the attractive view to the ocean from the public street (at left of cross section) had to be maintained, yet public view of the playing field had to be blocked. Construction has begun.

The ingenious solution consists of a cantilevered, reinforced concrete terrace that does triple duty. It blocks the view; shelters most of the seats; and its brick-paved upper surface will offer an especially favorable spectator vantage point during games. The only access is by two

bridges easily controlled during contests; otherwise it will be open as a public promenade.

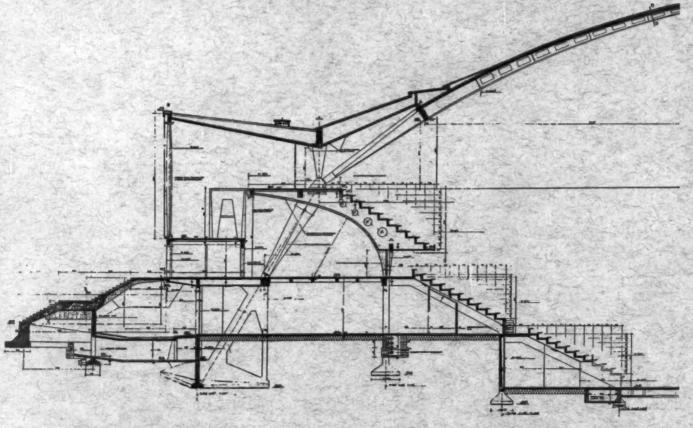
The slope at the rear of the seats will be planted with flowers; portions of the gradins serving foot traffic will be faced with locally made tile.

The retaining wall along the street and its overburden will contribute to the stability of the cantilever complex which has a calculated total load—peopled—of 260 lb per sq ft. The drainage system will converge to a single collection receptacle at the foot of the slope.

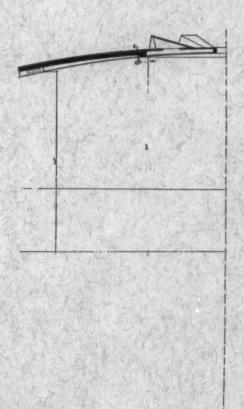


## For the Olympics: Sports Palace, Rome

Designed by Pier Luigi Nervi and Marcello Piacentini Technical Installations: Gino Parolini



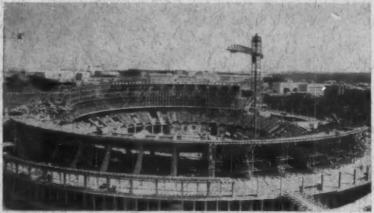




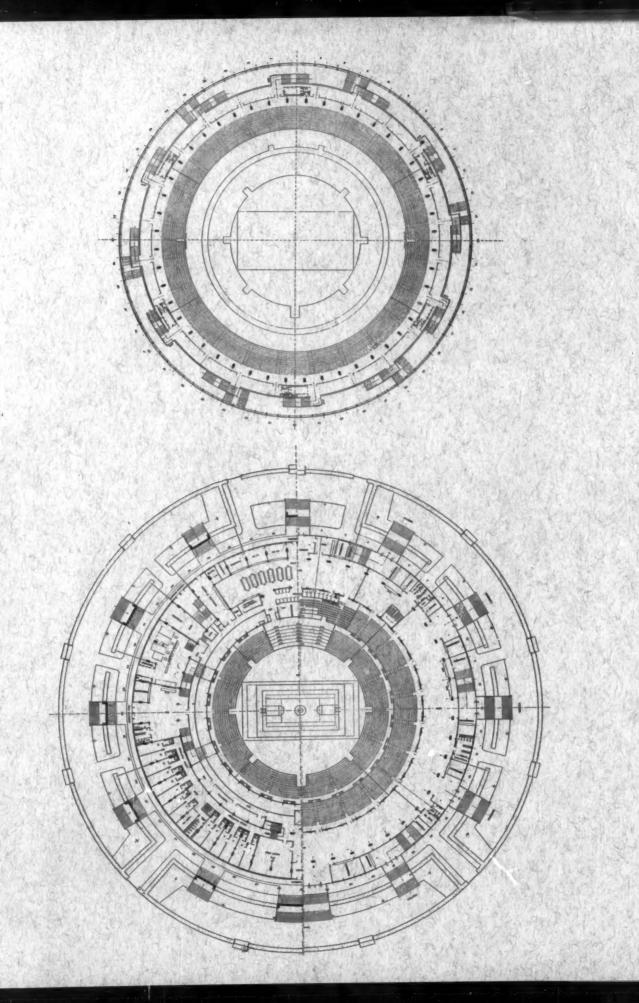
This domed sports palace for the 1960 Olympiad will have an arena suitable for a variety of indoor sports, with boxing and wrestling as the most important. Its three-zone, circular arrangement (p. 116) had to fulfill a complex set of requirements in addition to seating 14,000.

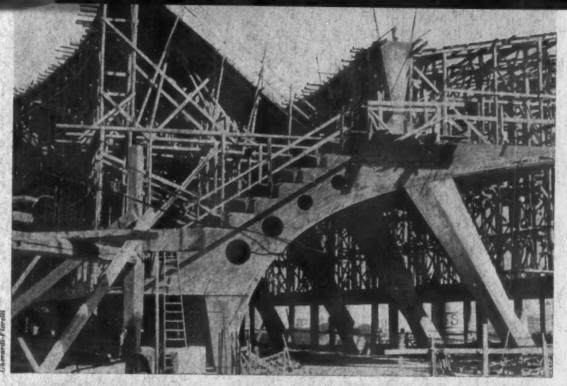
In designing the dome, which rests on 48 supports spaced on a 100 ft circle, Nervi's aim was lightness and ease of erection. It is composed of thin (1½ in.), undulating precast concrete units with ribs cast into both the troughs and crests of the wavy surface. The units are grouted together in assembly. The 48 fan-like, thrust-transmitting elements are also assembled from precast units.

The lower supports, of reinforced concrete, carry also the perimetrical roof and slabs, thus reducing their slope to keep them within the building and lowering the lateral thrust on the foundations. The spectator seats are precast elements which rest upon poured-in-place reinforced concrete diametric beams. Forms for the latter were constructed over a prototype full-size pattern, with certain portions composed of castings with surfaces machined after form removal.

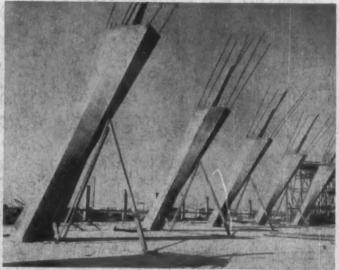


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#### Olympic Sports Palace, Rome

The plan is basically a three zone one composed of: the annular exterior zone for initial crowd distribution and entrance; the perimetrical interior zone (top, left) comprising the high seats and the services and athletes' facilities below; and the inner ring of lower seating with storage below.

The complex circulation, seating, and services scheme resulted from the requirements that certain categories of the public have separated seating and access, as well as the press; and that athletes and officials be completely isolated from each other



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## Nervi's views on architecture, education, and structure

Engineer PIER LUIGI NERVI writes:

I hold that we never value enough the complexity and incomparable difficulty of architecture; of true architecture, that is. For true architecture requires us to write a poem with words such as urban planning, architectural design, structural synthesis, and economic analysis; each one of which infers a lifetime of study to be thoroughly understood. Moreover, the poet-architect must wait until there is someone in authority who will understand him, appreciate him, and ask him to write the poem.

No wonder then, that in the growth and spread of architecture, the ratio of authentic masterpieces to the quantity of mass-produced, mediocre buildings is small—both in time and in space. It would be a great achievement merely to improve our standards; to avoid certain mistakes or displays of bad taste which, because they last in time and remain within everybody's sight and waste money, are usually more harmful than the mistakes being made in other intellectual and artistic fields.

One should also consider that architectural works are the wealth of all. Everyone can enjoy their beauty since they constitute the most significant element in evaluating an historical period or civilization. It would therefore seem logical that everybrily should take an interest in architecture and thus help bring about the needed improvement in standards.

In this connection the essential considerations are better architectural education and a deepening appreciation of architectural problems on the part of the client. The first can be achieved by influencing directly the curricula and efficiency of our architectural schools; the second only indirectly by improving the architectural awareness of the average person. A wider spread of lectures on, exhibitions of, and discussions about architecture should prove of value in trying to accomplish the latter aim.

The education of the future architect is one of the great problems colleges face. In a few short years (now five nearly everywhere but soon to be increased, I believe) we must develop in our young men not only creative imagination plus the sensibility necessary to change ideas into reality, but simultaneously a mastery of the practical means of bringing beauty into being. These are divergent and even contrasting attitudes. On the one hand the free world of the spirit: the search after beauty: the critical study of historic architectural forms from esthetic and spiritual viewpoints. On the other, technological and economic facts; structural laws; mathematical calculations; estimating computations; industrial problems—the cold and objective world which cannot be modified or bent by our will, but can merely be guided in order to accomplish our aims.

We are forced to admit that not too much attention is given by some teachers to the broad fields of technology, construction, and economics; and that the students themselves are seldom inclined to love such topics. Yet we notice daily the growing importance of technology in significant architectural development; and we perceive the inevitable, progressive influence of structure upon architecture.

But if one is to master structural problems, he must thoroughly understand the laws of statics and strength of materials; even so completely that physical and mathematical knowledge becomes structural intuition—the only true source of inspiration in creative structural design. When, as it so often happens, structural invention derives only from formal sources, the result can hardly be other than unnatural, uneconomical, and unlovely.

The architect of tomorrow will have wonderful commissions, but to realize them as true architecture he will also have to acquire—above all—a completely intuitive mastery of structure and full knowledge of construction techniques.

# Design for New Textile Headquarters Deftly Handles Several Problems

Deering Milliken Co. Building New York City

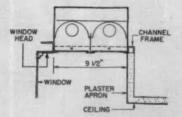
Carson & Lundin, Architects

Interiors by Knoll Planning Unit Florence Knoll, Director Joseph Whited, Project Designer

Jaros, Baum & Bolles Mechanical & Electrical Engineers

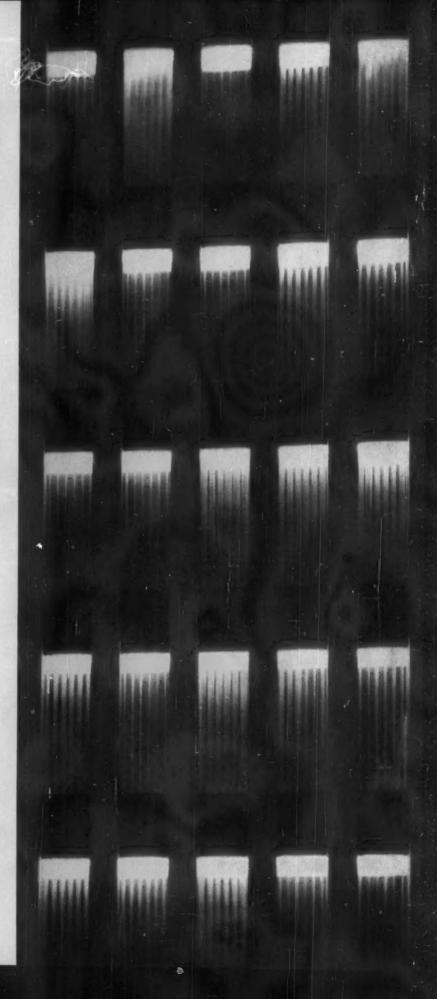
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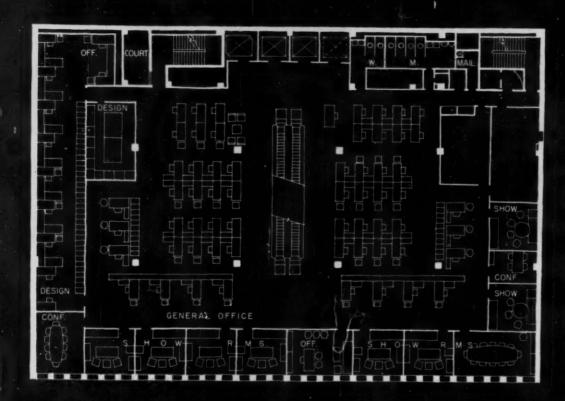
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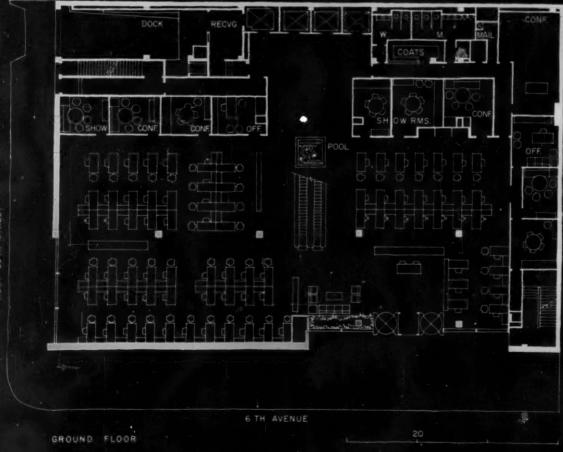


The pattern above—continuous over the principal façade after dark—results from special soffit lighting in each opening, activated at dusk by a time switch. The 9½ by 37 in. units house two 30 watt, 36 in. lamps in special reflectors; their light is diffused by flush, milky-white plastic shields. The track for the vertical blinds is mounted at the mid-point of each lighting unit

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#### Deering Milliken Building

This new 8-story office, sales, and administrative headquarters building for a large textile manufacturer coordinates in deft fashion—by way of a common module of 4 ft 10½ in. by 4 ft 8 in.—the structural and fenestration pattern; combination ceilings for lighting, acoustics, and air conditioning; and a newly designed movable partition system.

The unusual fenestration for the 150 ft wide Avenue façade consists of 1 ft 10 in. square piers set 4 ft 10½ in. on centers, providing 3 ft wide openings which are sealed by clear glass. The sill is a low 14 in., and the head disappears above the suspended ceiling. Aligned as it is with the ceiling pattern, such a system makes possible a variety of office sizes and provides a pleasant interior effect for large and small areas.

The first three floors—connected by electric stairways—are devoted to sales and display; the fourth floor to advertising, promotion, and sales research; there is an executive and customers' dining room, as well as an employes' cafeteria, on the sixth floor; the mail, telephone and teletype center is on the seventh; while the eighth floor houses executive offices.

The building's exterior is faced with white Georgia marble above the second floor line, while at ground level, the base course is of highly polished black granite inset with stainless steel strips.

Typical openings are glazed with fixed, clear plate; daylight is tempered by manually operated vertical Venetian blinds. The spandrels are of ceramic coated glass in a light, warm gray color that matches the blinds.

The structural steel frame was—by subcontractor's choice—welded; and in the case of particularly difficult cantilever conditions, was checked by field X-ray equipment. The cellular steel deck was—for the first time in New York City—fireproofed by spraying rather than by filling formwork.





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#### Deering Milliken Building

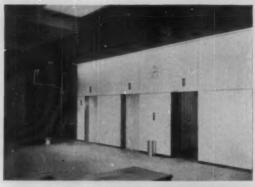
The ceilings for the three sales floors are designed on a modular grid that ties in with the structural and partitioning systems for these floors. The unusually spacious ground floor has a 16 ft finished ceiling; the second and third floors 12 ft ones. These trifunctional ceilings-for sound absorption, air conditioning supply and return air, and lighting -are composed of alternating squares of milky white plastic (to diffuse fluorescent light from above) and perforated, natural finish anodized aluminum sheets backed up by an acoustical material.

The movable partitions, top photo, were especially designed to work with the modular ceilings to provide maximum flexibility of space division. The doors and jamb panels are of natural cherry; the cross partitions are covered with natural, undyed linen; the fronts are baked enamel—in eggshell finish—on the steel panels. Glass above the door-head line serves as sound barrier without destroying the sense of the ceiling continuing through into the office areas.

In the lobby, left page and two lower photos at right, the photo-murals were designed and executed by Herbert Matter. They depict early spinning machinery and were installed on walls covered with Japanese grasscloth. The woodpaneled wall is natural cherry; the pool is of black structural glass with a curb of white Georgia marble; the first three floors are carpeted in beige "Agilon"a material manufactured by the owners especially for their headquarters. The structural columns—spaced approximately 29 ft north and south and 32 ft east and west-are clad in white plastic with stainless steel binding strips.

The sales area furniture has, generally, top surfaces of natural cherry and pedestals of dark walnut, supported by an open framework with a brushed chrome finish. The chairs are upholstered in wool in vivid shades of orangered, blue, and dark brown











#### Deering Milliken Building

At left, a view of the fourth floor, which is devoted to an experimental sales area wherein the entire line is displayed. The ceiling is of perforated aluminum and the floor carpeted











Second down, left; dining area of the employes' cafeteria. Right: the executive and customer dining room.

Above: a typical reception and secretarial area for the executive offices, one of which is shown to the left.

Bottom, left: a typical general office area. Perforated aluminum ceilings for all floors serve as air diffusers, obviating the need for visible ones



# Spatial Variety Enlarges House

Residence for Mr. & Mrs. H. F. Spalding, West Los Angeles, California, Mario Corbett, Architect. Pat Hamilton, Contractor.

The sameness of spaces and atmosphere throughout is one of the biggest causes of doldrums in a typical three-bedroom house. A number of interesting devices have been used in this scheme to counteract dullness and give variety. In achieving these, great use has been made of a gentle rise toward the rear of the plot.

The section of the house facing the street is low, with a shoji-like wall shielding storage and carport (see plan next page). Beyond this, a short run of steps leads to a walled garden, which serves as actual foyer to the house. A dramatically high-ceilinged family and dining room opens on this area. This room carries through the floor level of the front part of the house, and the higher roof level of the rear section. (See photo at right). The living room is up another few steps, and separated from the family area by a partly open, partly obscured partition. A sliding screen serves as door (photo above). The living room opens out to a second garden on the opposite side.

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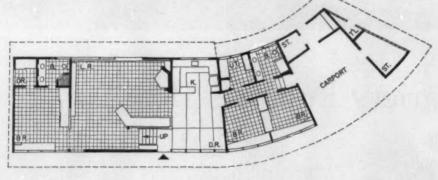
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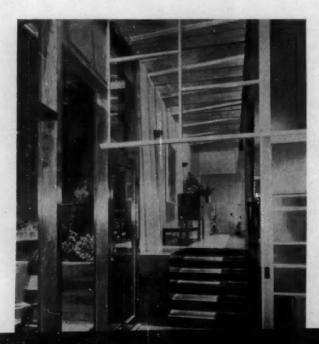
Julius Shulman

The plan of the house is neatly divided into areas for children and adults, on separate levels. The lower one has childrens' bedrooms and family room, with an entrance off the carport, play area in view of kitchen. The upper level contains master bedroom and living room, with a separate garden for entertaining (left). Utilities line this side of the house to act as sound buffers for bedrooms when a party is in progress. A long skylight (below) runs along entrance side of living areas.

The house has a concrete foundation, and a frame of posts and studs. Exterior siding is "sealed" redwood over wood sheathing. Interior walls are mahogany plywood, floors are cork except for concrete in family room and kitchen. Ceilings are plasterboard, roofing is composition and gravel



Spalding Residence







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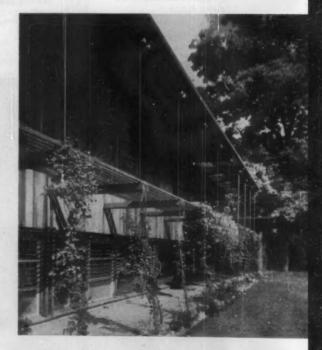
# Tri-Level House Magnifies Space

Residence for Mr. & Mrs. Harris Armstrong, Kirkwood, Missouri. Harris Armstrong, Architect. E. C. Mikkelsen Construction Co., Contractor.

Spatial by-play is a dominant feature of this house. The three levels open into each other to afford a series of varied vistas and glimpses beyond. The lowest floor has the front entrance at ground level, and is sunken to sill height in a slope at the rear (right). The owner's office is 300 feet from the house at the front of the site.

The kitchen can be joined with the living areas when desired by opening a partition of hinged floor-to-ceiling doors. The study-guest room on the top level has sliding panels which open to give added balcony space to the living areas for large gatherings. Most rooms face south over a large garden land-scaped for privacy from neighboring houses. A large screened porch has been added to the east off the living room, and a carport, brick screen and storage wall, and a swimming pool are to the west.

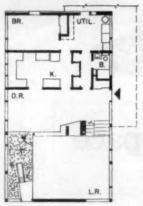
Foundations are concrete, and the structure is conventional wood frame. The exterior is redwood and brick; interior surfaces are various woods and plaster. Floors are cork, linoleum and pecan plank.



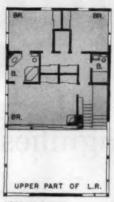
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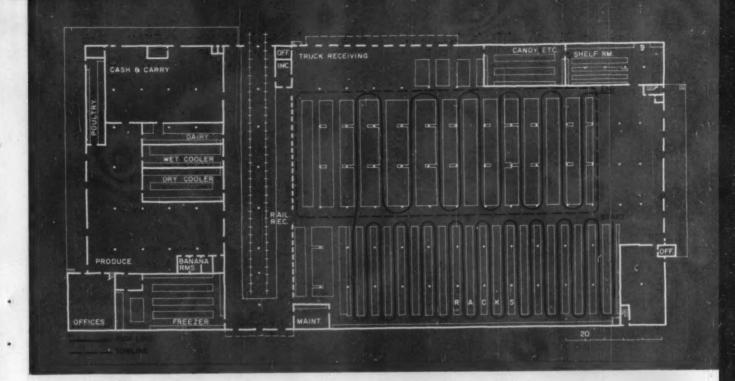
SECOND FLOOR

Some of the spatial effects of the house can be seen by comparing the photos above and below-left with the interior on the preceding page. In contrast to many split-level schemes, great simplicity is kept in the plan shape and variety of roof levels (see photo below)

Armstrong House







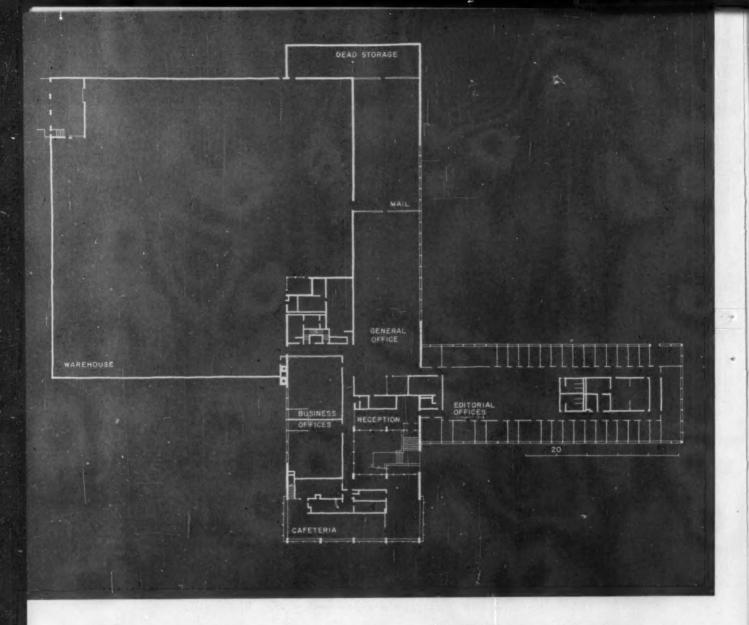
#### GROCERY AND PRODUCE STORAGE COMBINED IN FOOD STORE WAREHOUSE



WAREHOUSE FOR RICHMOND FOOD STORES, INC., RICHMOND, VA.; THE BALLINGER COMPANY, ARCHITECTS AND ENGINEERS; DOYLE AND RUSSELL COMPANY, GENERAL CONTRACTORS. In this building may be seen the close relationships between flow lines and design results. Close study of design problems and the use of precast concrete columns and roof panels permit two types of storage in one building. Results include cost savings and maximum use of site

# Warehouses Assume Expanded Roles

While automation of warehouses continues to make news, actually another change—the diversification of warehousing functions—may well be of more importance to the architect and engineer at the present time. The number of warehouses now being constructed for storage purposes alone is on the decline. In their place, an ever increasing number of highly specialized types are being constructed. These new warehouses nearly always combine storage functions with other related operations. The simplest examples add office spaces to the warehousing areas. Others-of even greater complexity-combine office and warehousing functions with sales areas, complete packaging and distribution areas, and other service facilities. One result of the expanded functions now being assigned to warehouse buildings has been a tendency toward greater specialization of types used within particular industries. At the present time, warehousing types vary so greatly between industries that building for each must be approached as separate and distinct problems bearing little or no relation to each other. This specialization of warehouse types, the greatly expanded roles of warehouses, and the ever increasing attention being given to materials-handling, mechanization of processes, and automation in these buildings, have opened up new areas for professional activity and responsibility.



#### DISTRIBUTION CENTER AND OFFICES FOR EDUCATIONAL BOOK PUBLISHERS





ROW, PETERSON & CO. BUILDING, EVANSTON, ILLINOIS; PERKINS & WILL, ARCHITECTS-ENGINEERS; WESTCOTT ENGINEERING CO., STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS; A & T ENGINEER-ING CO., MECHANICAL ENGINEERS; L. J. GRAF CONSTRUCTION CO., GENERAL CON-TRACTORS. Major operations in the building include editorial and business functions, book storage, and distribution functions. These are zoned into three areas as shown on the plan by combining warehousedistribution functions and the provision of separate facilities for the editorial and business offices. Composing and printing operations are handled at other locations. The employe cafeteria is located to allow easy accessibility to all departments and is also used as a conference and meeting room. Traffic of vehicles to and from the warehouse area is segregated from other passenger car and pedestrian traffic. The building is located on an irregular, sloping site in a residential neighborhood. Structure is steel frame with open web bar joists; offices are air conditioned

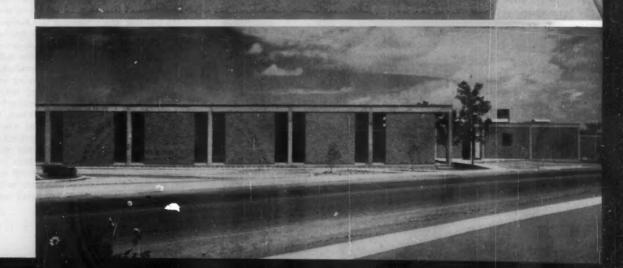
#### LARGE SINGLE STORY WHOLESALE DRUG WAREHOUSE AND OFFICE

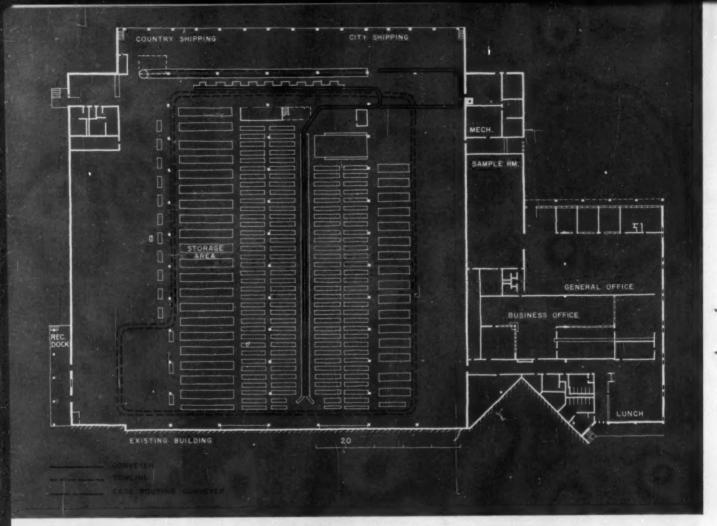
DAVIS BROTHERS, INC. DRUG WAREHOUSE, DENVER, COLO.; JAMES SUDLER ASSOCIATES, ARCHITECTS; D. R. ROGGENBACH, ASSOCIATE ARCHITECT; KETCHUM AND KONKEL, STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS; STARK AND KONKEL, MECHANICAL ENGINEERS; SWANSON-RINK, ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS; JULIA JANE SILVERSTEIN, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT. The building combines an executive, accounting, and general office wing with a storage-distribution area. It was constructed adjacent to an existing liquor warehouse. Fireproof and sprinklered (for in-

Betty Baldwin photos

surance reasons), the precast concrete structure consists of girders spanning 74 ft, on 24-ft centers supported by columns. Precast roof slabs span between girders. The office area structure duplicates that of the warehouse areas to allow for possible future expansion or conversion of the building to other uses. With the exception of main sprinkler lines, all piping is routed on top of or through the girders to permit the greatest possible usable ceiling heights. The architects believe this to be the largest single-story drug warehouse in the U. S. In the past, most were planned as two-story buildings







Walter Griffith, Jr., photos





#### Drug Warehouse and Office

The architects say, "the major problem in the design of a building of this type consists of the flow of goods through the warehouse." Drugs are received in lots at one end of the building. Here they are transferred to a conveyor and sent to the storage areas, where they are kept in case lots. From the cases, individual units are transferred to shelving. When an order comes in, it is conveyed to the machine room for transfer to punched cards and separation into four orders. Two of these are for case lots stored at sides of the building, the remaining two for units stored in the central shelving. All orders are sent by pneumatic tube to the pick line. Case lots are conveyed to the shipping area on carts moved by the under-floor conveyor shown in the upper illustration. Units are picked and conveyed to city shipping on the upper roller conveyor; those for delivery outside the city move on lower rollers. The illustration at bottom of page shows these conveyors in action. City orders, after passing the checking stations, are delivered to Denver drugstores in the same cartons which come off the conveyor. Country orders are packed in cartons for shipping after having been checked. Approximately 33,000 items are carried in the inventory. Almost 98 per cent of these arrive by truck and all are shipped by truck to the retail outlets

## SERVICE BUILDINGS: WAREHOUSES WITH ADDITIONAL FUNCTIONS

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Pure warehouses are becoming scarce. The former concept of a warehouse as a dead storage area for out-of-season merchandise is fast disappearing. For example, in the department store field, warehouse structures are now required to contain a number of additional functions such as workrooms, processing, food preparation and serving, and, most importantly, selling activities.

Buildings of this type have come to be known as Service Buildings, but even this title does not indicate fully their greatly expanded role as an active sales tool. Since 1945 our firm has participated in the engineering, materials-handling and architectural design of some 100 warehouses and service buildings. The majority of these are for department stores and range in size from 100,000 to \$1,300,000 sq ft, the typical building size being 350,000 sq ft.

Some service buildings resemble miniature factories. One recently constructed contains a candy factory, bakery, custom furniture shop, upholstery shop and drapery workroom, and a major appliance repair center for complete reconditioning and repainting of refrigerators, washers, TV sets, dryers, and the like. This is a definite departure from the former conception of a warehouse.

Another primary purpose of service buildings within recent years has been for permanent or special selling of merchandise. Some have a series of window displays not unlike a main or branch store. Others have an interior layout of racks and bins that permit overnight relocation by fork-lift trucks to provide a clear space for warehouse sales.

#### SITE SELECTION

Under the new concept of service buildings, two major problems emerge: the first is concerned with the site—finding a location that permits relatively quick movement to and from the main store and any branch stores, the second concerns design of the building to be functional as a materials-handling, engineering tool and architecturally attractive as an adjunct to sales.

Good building sites are scarce near most major cities in the United States. Site location is a science in itself and requires specialists; for that reason our firm has a section of industrial engineers specially trained in this work. The industrial engineer must not only find a site of suitable size and characteristics within a given area, but also must often apply improvements to the land to permit economical construction. Practical engineering and design help guarantee the best use of available land for a given set of circumstances and consideration must always be given to possible future expansion.

Occasionally an owner's downtown facility will permit expansion and layout to obtain satisfactory operating and storage space, but these decisions must be based upon thorough industrial engineering studies of the economic and construction factors.

#### TREND TO ONE-STORY BUILDINGS

Service building types include multi-story, two-story, split level and one-story. In the past 15 years, one-story buildings have shown the greatest increase in new construction, particularly in outlying sections where land costs are more favorable. Because of space limitations we will concentrate on the architectural and engineering features of the one-story type.

#### APPEARANCE DESIGN VS COSTS

In the department store field, costs are extremely important, and every effort must be made to obtain full value for expenditures. Thus, the attractiveness of the building must be balanced with practical cost considerations in the choice of materials.

The problem of exterior appearance at reasonable costs is often solved by concentration of attractive, higher grade materials at entrances and in selling

areas with adequate landscaping. This, combined with expansion-type walls at the rear of the building and occasionally on a side of the structure, permits a low overall cost for the exterior.

For example, in the new service building for Stix, Baer & Fuller in St. Louis (shown in the illustration and plan) the upper level is of white-painted concrete block, panelled by a rhythmic pattern of recessed charcoal gray brick, and topped by a harmonizing dark bank of coping. The projecting lower level, containing personnel facilities, offices and sales area, is enclosed in coral-colored porcelain enamel and glass, framed in aluminum, above a base of dark green brick, the color of which is repeated in large letters of a sign against the white wall above. These are the store's regular colors.

Attractive landscaping, combined with the façade, creates an appearance similar to that of a branch store. In fact, a 25,000 sq ft area is currently used for selling, and the owners are very enthusiastic about this additional merchandising space.

STIX, BAER AND FULLER SERVICE CENTER, ST. LOUIS, MO.: ABBOTT, MERKT AND CO., ARCHITECTS-ENGINEERS: HENRY J. REITZ, SOILS CONSULTANT; I. E. MILLSTONE, INC., GENERAL CONTRACTOR

#### FLEXIBILITY IS PRIMARY

Building interiors under the service building concept must have a completely flexible layout that will permit changing usage, often on short notice. A basic structure with bays 24 or 25 ft square, and with a ceiling height of 16 ft, 9 in., is most economical in terms of steel tonnage versus area created. It also adapts well to aisles, bins and racks. Special long spans are needed in truck driveways and delivery areas, to permit quick truck maneuvering and to reduce overtime otherwise encountered in crowded, inflexible buildings.

Interior partitions should also be designed with flexibility in mind. For example, concrete block may be used for its initial low cost as well as for its insulation and sound absorbing qualities. Office areas and workrooms, often subject to expansion or relocation, are frequently partitioned with industrial type panels featuring metal and glass components in modular lengths. All utilities, personnel facilities, toilets and locker rooms should be located with a view to expansion.

Boiler rooms should be planned with ample space for additional equipment and easily removable walls for enlargement as the entire building expands with increase of business. Lighting runs should be laid out in such a manner that overhead illumination can be relocated easily to conform to new aisle, rack and bin layouts. In several instances our firm has used trolley duct at an angle of 45 degrees with the building walls. Overnight a sales area can be created and sufficient lighting fixtures relocated to illuminate it properly. Furniture finishing workrooms and other locations requiring concentrated lighting can be properly illuminated and the electrical installation will not be a deterrent to relocation of the department.

### INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERS AUGMENT ARCHITECTS

The interior layout of a modern service building requires the attention of specialized industrial engineers. These men are not architects, but they are familiar with the architect's problems and together they can produce a practical and harmonious building.

Each department store has a character all its own, and this is reflected in the various operations of its service building. In one example, the Stix, Baer & Fuller Service Center illustrated, there exists a definite split in merchandise handling between bulk goods and small wares. This split carries over to delivery operations with package delivery of small wares and bulk delivery of furniture.

The engineers studied flow and movement of several thousand orders and recommended a distinct separation of merchandise from the receiving dock forward through the warehouse process. Accordingly, a two-prong flow was set up. Bulk goods and



furniture flow to their delivery area, while small wares flow independently through wrapping and packing to package delivery. Certain other activities, such as upholstery and drapery workrooms, were located apart from these flow operations, inasmuch as they were little related to them. The workrooms were provided with maximum light and air, not only for the comfort of the skilled operators, but to aid them in proper matching of color and fabrics. One definite result of this separation, gratifying both to management and to the industrial engineers, was a report of an impressive rise in productivity within a very short time.

#### PERSONNEL CONSIDERATIONS

Employe relations are of prime importance with department store managements, as witnessed by the cordial relations between co-workers and by many 25-year clubs and, in some instances, 50-year clubs. In developing the service building concept, thought must be given to the provision of a pleasant environment for personnel. This includes general clerical offices, recreation areas, lounges and cafeterias. In service buildings our firm always trys to provide an attractive air conditioned cafeteria with full-length windows that admit light and also provide a pleasant view. Furniture provided is modern, simple, and attractive and kitchen equipment is of stainless steel.

#### **MECHANIZATION**

Since the end of the war, materials-handling features of warehouses and service buildings have been given a lot of attention. A modern structure will have some combination of pallets, fork trucks, conveyors of all types, adjustable and movable steel racks and bins; also tractor-trailer trains, electronically guided tractors, overhead conveyors, elevated platforms, and extensive rod systems for handling hanging ready-to-wear items.

Considerable ingenuity and judgment is required in this phase of service building materials-handling, since department stores are not founded on depth of stock, but, instead, have their chief appeal through extremely wide selection. Standard case sizes, such as 2 by 3 by 3 ft, might work well for other operations, but not for a service building.

A refrigerator manufacturer, for example, may have 15 models of the appliance, and will stock 1000 of each of the types. But a department store service building will seldom, if ever, have 1000 of any one item. Instead, in a furniture department, one might find 200 to 300 types of chairs, each somewhat different from all the others.

Since layouts must have flexibility, equipment must be chosen with great care. Each warehouseman should have maximum payload for lifting ability in both horizontal and vertical transportation. Selection of items must be simple enough so that additional untrained help must be engaged for rush periods such as sales and seasonal peaks. And, too, handling methods must be relatively gentle since much of the merchandise is fragile.

#### THE FLOOR

Floors probably represent the most important single feature in a service building. Considerable controversy exists as to what degree of refinement is necessary in floor construction. Generally speaking, however, money spent on a floor is repaid in time. However, with a constant eye on the cost budget, our firm has found that a monolithic cement floor, constructed with metallic or chemical hardeners and ample steel trowelling produces practical results for clients. Money should be available to add a hard topping; it has always proved to be a wise investment. This extra hard type floor should be urged, at any rate, for shipping and receiving platforms, furniture workrooms, and other areas subject to extreme wear.

#### THE ROOF

A service building roof, of course, has as its primary function the provision of shelter for men and materials. Its secondary but almost equally important service should be insulation. It has been our experience that low cost and sufficient insulation may be obtained by specifying flat, insulated steel deck, with build-up roofing on exposed steel framing. Insulated reinforced gypsum runs a close second.

#### OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

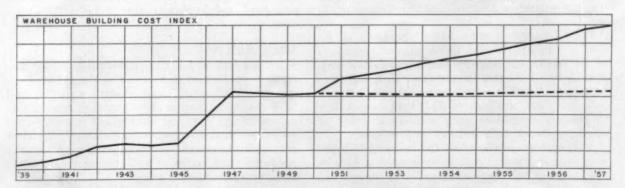
Since fire insurance rates on the service building's contents demand adequate sprinkler protection, the additional cost of fireproof roof construction is not economically warranted. Fire walls are generally recommended, however, between truck areas (which also often serve as garages for the owner's fleet) and the rest of the building. Heating is best accomplished by unit heaters with circulating hot water from a centrally located boiler room or through individual gas-fired units.

In urban areas, owner and architect alike must consider the impact on an existing sewage system of suddenly adding some 200 employes in a new building. Often, comprehensive and rigid codes require extensive sewage facilities to be included in the over-all project.

Considerable thought must also be given to removal of large amounts of trash, crates, cases, excelsior and other materials. Where economics justify the sale of cardboard and other papers, balers should be installed. In areas where paper prices are low or erratic, or where removal services are unreliable, an incinerator should be considered. An incinerator creates problems in architectural design, however, since the stack must often rise like an obelisk 60 ft or more above the roof level. And the weight of such a heavy, tall chimney invariably calls for a massive and costly foundation.

#### KEEPING COSTS IN LINE

In the service building and warehouse fields, building costs are of paramount importance. Means must be established for controlling costs without sacrifice of necessary quality. By the use of principles such as are discussed in this article, our firm has been able to hold building costs down to a low level as shown in the chart reproduced below.



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For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock. PSALM 27.5.

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The thoughtful architect, aware of the powerful symbolic quality of every part of a temple of worship, is challenged by more difficult problems (many of which are never even defined for him) than are presented by any other form of building. He also makes problems for himself. He regards church design, correctly, as a rare and wonderful opportunity to experiment with newer structural forms. His preoccupation with structural gymnastics, however, sometimes precludes examination of the liturgical function for which he is creating the form. Aims other than structural virtuosity also inspire the architect and prevent him from trying to solve the real liturgical problem each church presents. He may, for instance, impose upon a congregation a church form which has grown from his own religious responses, although these may be of an order quite different from those of the clergy and laity he

# RELIGIOUS BUILDINGS

serves. If he attempts, however, to discover to what degree concepts particular to a certain theology have affected its liturgy, he is likely to find that he cannot always take his precedents from the past. Indeed some of the least successful modern churches are those in which contemporary materials and structure house an obsolete liturgy.

A liturgical form becomes obsolete when the theological concepts which inspired it have altered. These concepts are continually being modified as religion and modern life come to terms. The architect in the end must turn to articulate members of the clergy to help him define his problem, and the latter may change liturgical expression in the act of defining.

Each of the religious buildings which follow was designed by an architect concerned in some degree with the problems just outlined. Some buildings express a still valid liturgical tradition; others represent a fresh approach. All are unpretentious and several have strong symbolic power.

# Chapel of St. James the Fisherman

LOCATION: Wellfleet, Massachusetts

ARCHITECT: Olav Hammarstrom

STRUCTURAL ENGINEER: Paul Weidlinger

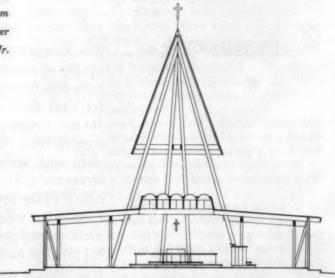
CONTRACTOR: Everett Winslow, Jr.



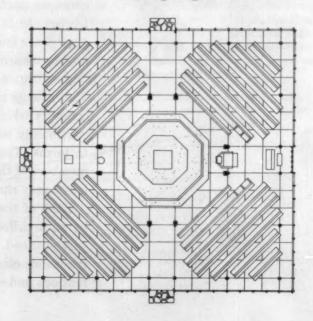
The Protestant Episcopal Chapel of St. James the Fisherman at the top of a small pine covered hill on Cape Cod, is a church for the summer visitors to Wellfleet and Truro who express their worship according to the Book of Common Prayer. The clergy and laity of this group had worshipped together in a Congregational Church before they were able to build a church of their own, and from this experience decided that they wanted an informal church in which lay participation was important. They were able, therefore, to present a well defined program to their architect. They requested a plan which would allow laymen to rise from their seats to read the lessons, to bring the oblations of bread and wine to the altar, and to participate directly in the service in other ways. The seats of the clergy as well as those for the choir are not distinguished from those of other worshippers; indeed performers in the liturgy are able to sit with their families. Choristers do not sing as a group, they lead the congregation in the corporate singing of the service.

Directed by these strongly stated liturgical needs, the architect devised a plan in which no worshipper is more than six seats away from the Holy Table at the center. The celebrants of the service surround the altar instead of standing before it.

It is the hope of the congregation that their mode of worship with its active lay participation may be a stimulus toward a renewal of a simpler liturgical tradition in the Christian Church. Bell tower directly above altar is covered with cedar shingles. Its bolted wooden supports form an octagonal perimeter repeating the shapes of the central platforms and communion rail. Awning type windows at floor level illuminate the interior from an unexpected source. The altar is dramatically emphasized by light from 25 plastic domes 24 in. by 24 in. set in the roof beneath the bell tower. Walls are vertical spruce boards with a creosote finish. Frame structure is exposed on interior



The suspended altar cross, baptismal font, communion rail, pews, lecturn and processional cross were designed by the architect. The base of the font (foreground of interior photograph) is of chiseled wood stained gold. Its top is as callop shell, the emblem of St. James the Fisherman who was one of Christ's first apostles, and also the emblem of the fishing village of Wellfleet







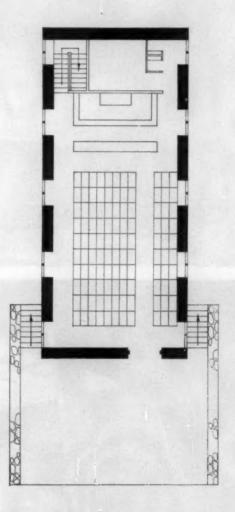
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# St. Sylvester's Church

ARCHITECTS: Helmuth, Obata & Kassabaum STRUCTURAL ENGINEER: John P. Nix MECHANICAL ENGINEER: John D. Falvey CONTRACTOR: Barton Construction Co.

St. Sylvester's is a small Roman Catholic church in the Ozark mountains. Its special simplicity exists in part because it was built not only in the materials, but in the manner of the old farmhouses and barns of this part of the South. Walls are of brown-gray stone 2 ft thick. The roof is 2-in. by 4-in. wooden decking in a natural finish laid on heavy timbers and covered with composition shingle. The wooden cross, doors and trim are painted white.

Placed on a steep slope which levels off at the top and becomes a concrete terrace, St. Sylvester's is actually a two story building. The lower story receives its share of daylight as the land slopes downward. An all-purpose room, office, bedroom and storage space occupy the lower floor; at terrace level are the simple nave, altar, sacristy and confessional. Total cost of the project was \$30,000, not including land and fees.







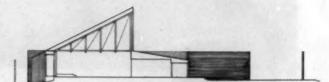


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# Chapel in Finland

Right: entrance to semi-enclosed forecourt. Main light within chapel comes from high window wall above court, since altar window is to the north

LOCATION: Tech Town in Otaniemi near Helsinki, Finland
ARCHITECTS: Kaija and Heikki Siren

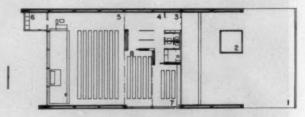


Tower not shown. Transverse cross beam under high window wall helps carry the ceiling construction of the chapel as well as the lower roof

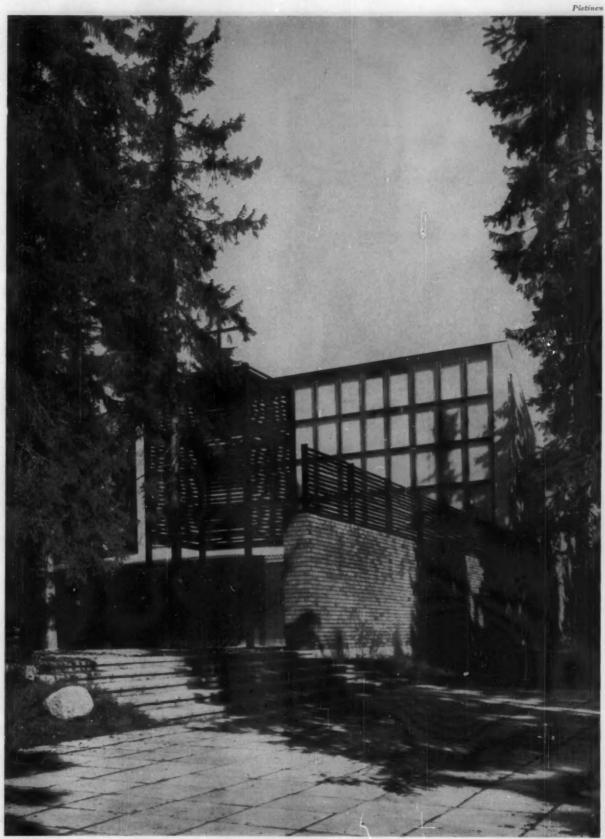
Tech Town is a community in Otaniemi which is composed mainly of students at the Institute of Technology in nearby Helsinki. A Protestant chapel was begun for these students in 1956 and completed in the spring of 1957. It stands on a hill amidst boulders and fir trees.

The building comprises three major spaces: a front court for open air services partially enclosed by brick walls and fencing, a low-ceilinged area which includes a small entrance hall, congregation hall and clubroom, and a chapel room with a steeply rising ceiling and an altar wall of clear glass at its low end. Through the glass is revealed a carefully studied outdoor scene; a mass of fir trees in the near distance and just in front, on the same axis as the indoor altar, a wooden cross placed on a wooden rock both of which vary in color and light in accordance with the seasons. Nature and cross form the key of the solution.

This fine modern chapel has some fundamental features which connect it with the traditions of Finnish architecture. The old stone churches of Finland are ascetic in character. Church builders of the past placed their sanctuaries in the landscape with great skill and sensitiveness, and accented the special quality of the church environment with a semi-enclosed forecourt. In old Finnish wooden churches the ceiling constructions were emphasized as interior features, as here in this contemporary church.

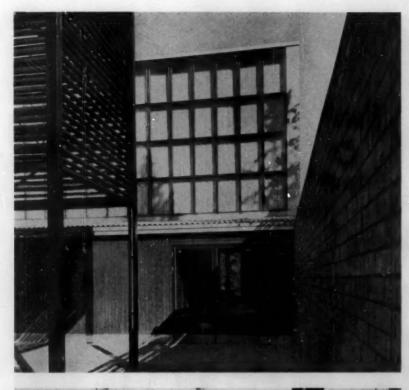


1. court 2. tower 3. entrance 4. hall 5. chapel 6. sacristy 7. clubroom 8. congregation room. When sliding walls of congregation room and club room are opened, the total seating capacity of the chapel is about 300



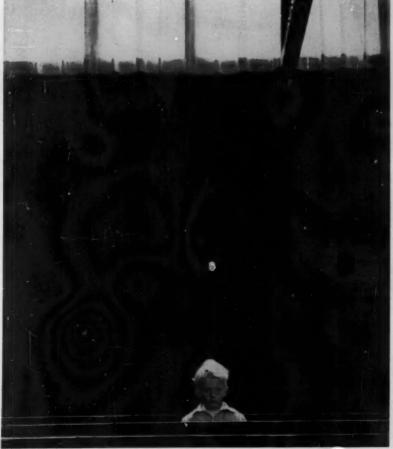
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Left: materials of the chapel are red brick and wood, in the character of the other buildings in Tech Town. The roof is of corrugated asbestos

Left: this photograph was made to emphasize quality of daylighting within the chapel. Light is from high window wall



Right: view toward indoor-outdoor sanctuary. Ceiling downlights are fitted into vertical members of each truss



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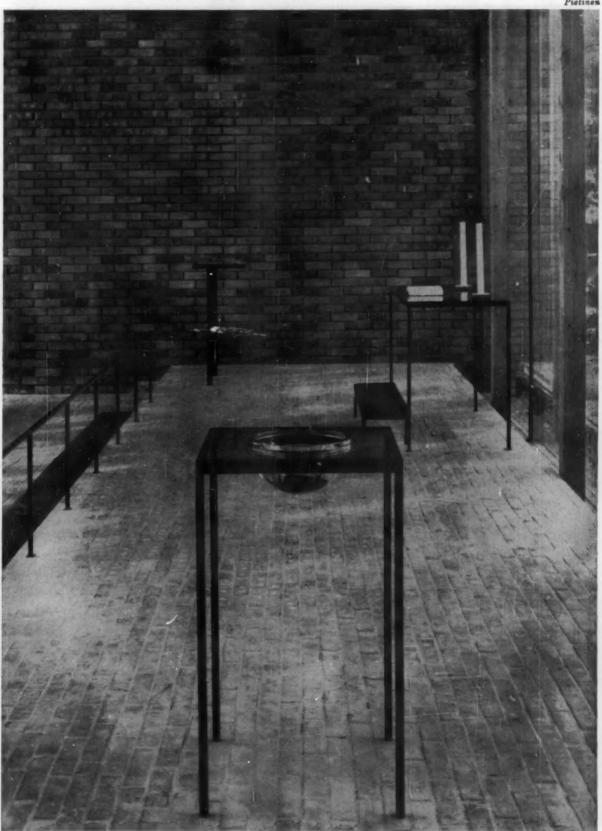
Right: lecturn, altar and baptismal font, each detailed with ascetic simplicity, are assembled together on a brick floor with the most precise and sensitive attention to their relationships to each other in space, and to the cross and fir trees beyond the glass wall



The sanctuary, with its outdoor cross, is the climax of a series of carefully wrought spatial experiences which begin with the front court and tower. The vestments of the clergy provide the only bright color in austere surroundings of red brick, natural finish wood, dark green fir trees and snow

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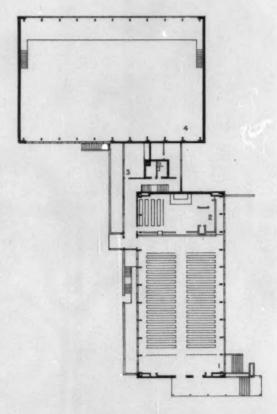
# St. Peter's Lutheran Church

LOCATION: Norwalk, Connecticut
ARCHITECTS: Pedersen and Tilney
STRUCTURAL ENGINEER: Henry A. Pfisterer
CONTRACTOR: Kocian Construction Co

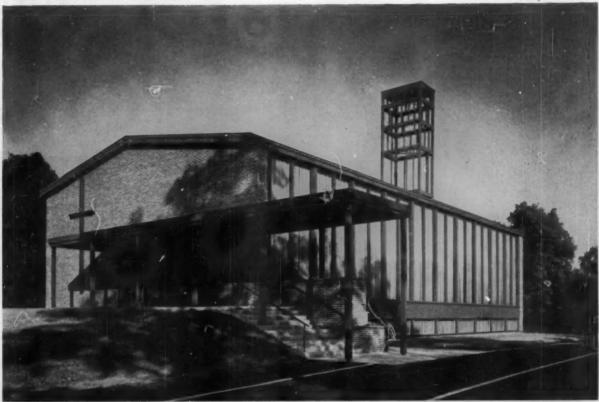
Like many other Protestant congregations, the people of St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Norwalk discovered that the developing emphasis on group activity with its concomitant requirements (assembly room, gymnasium and other features) rendered their white frame old New England church inadequate. The difficult decision to abandon this church was made for them by the state which condemned it to make way for a toll road. The congregation, therefore, was free to seek an architectural expression of their contemporary situation.

They purchased a three-acre site several miles beyond downtown Norwalk, and proceeded to construct a two level church. The nave on the upper level seats 412 persons, while the lower level provides a generous area for an assembly room, a kitchen, toilets and a boiler room. The gymnasium shown in plan will be built in the future.

The church is built of brick, redwood and concrete. The nave roof is supported by timber arches. Since the building is completely air conditioned it was possible to use vertical lights of fixed glass over 18 ft high in the nave. Pews, altar and lecturn are in bleached oak.



1. narthex 2. sanctuary 3. choir 4. gym



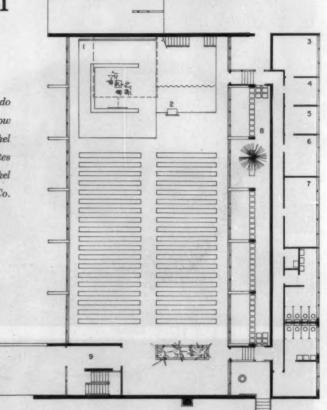


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# Brentwood Methodist Church

Right: top photograph shows main facade. Office wing shown in plan and section has not yet been built. Photograph at bottom left is a view of the chancel with choir loft; at bottom right, the rear of the church showing the raised and glassed in "cry" room for small children over entrance

LOCATION: Denver, Colorado
ARCHITECT: W. C. Muchow
STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS: Ketchum and Konkel
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS: Swanson-Rink and Associates
MECHANICAL ENGINEERS: Stark and Konkel
CONTRACTOR: Robert W. Mier Construction Co.

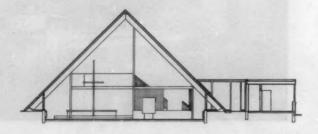


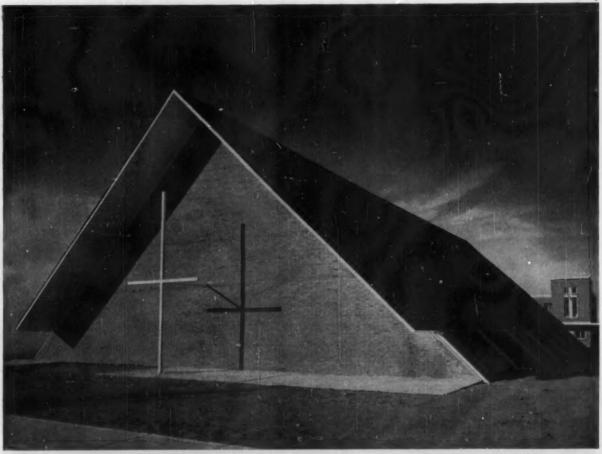
1. communion area 2. pulpit 3. pastor's office 4. secretary's office 5. work room 6. assistant pastor's office 7. choir and music room. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 will be erected in the future

This new structure, now used as a church, will eventually become an educational wing in an extensive master plan. Its form, however, lends itself well to its present use. The plan provides seating in the nave for 494 persons and a choir loft which seats 40 more.

The three-sided communion rail on a raised platform is a continuous ledge which holds the implements of communion service. Worshippers kneel on both sides of each rail and face each other while participating in communion. A still higher platform holds the lecturn and chairs of the clergy.

A long narrow garden will separate the nave from a future office and toilet unit. The foundation of the building consists of grade beams on caissons (not shown in section). Laminated wood arches support a 4-in. tongue and groove wood roof decking which is exposed on the interior. The roof is covered with shake shingles. Exterior finish is glass and brick. Vinyl asbestos tile is used on concrete in the nave. The chancel floor is ceramic tile and the floor of the minister's platform is of polished wood. Total cost of this completed portion of scheme is \$101,893.00, or \$10.48 per sq ft.









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# Synagogue for Congregation Beth El

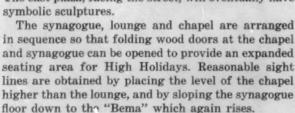
Right: view from parking area showing garden platform upon which synagogue rests. Main entrance at right



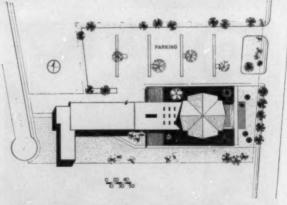
ARCHITECTS: Davis, Brody and Wisniewski STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS: Wiesenfeld, Hayward and Leon MECHANICAL ENGINEERS: Cosentini Associates Electrical Engineers: Wald and Zigas ACOUSTICAL ENGINEER: Cyril Harris LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURAL CONSULTANT: Karl Linn ARTIST FOR GLASS, TAPESTRIES: Samuel G. Weiner, Jr. SCULPTOR FOR ETERNAL LIGHT: Judith Brown CONTRACTOR: Max Drill, Inc.

Memorial court 2. Sanctuary 3.
 Lounge 4. Chapel 5. Pantry 6. Storage
 original building

This synagogue is an addition to an existing structure which contains classrooms, small meeting rooms and a large social hall. In order to emphasize the religious portion of this community center in contrast to the social and recreational parts, the synagogue was designed as a distinct element and set on a garden platform. The three plazas provide not only entrances and exits, but generous gathering places for worshippers to meet before and after services. The east plaza, facing the street, will eventually have symbolic sculptures.

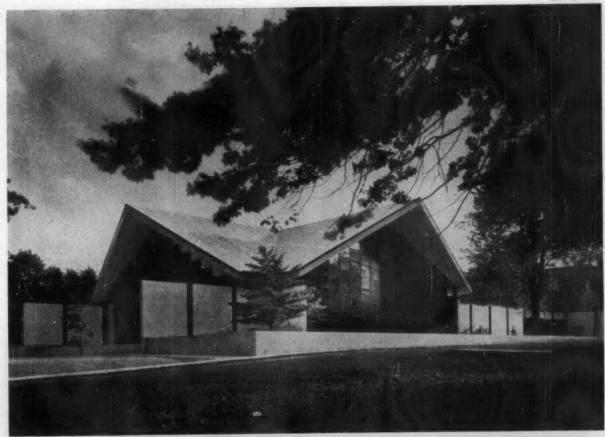


The synagogue roof structure is framed in steel, with four major supports at the corners. The mullions in the four gabled walls are structural I-beams and also provide support. They are finished on the inside with acoustic material and perforated metal pans between the flanges, and provide vertical acoustic baffles where necessary. Tie rods within the roof planes remove the thrusts of the gables.



Plot plan. Building to the west of north and south entrance plazas existed prior to the construction of new synagogue

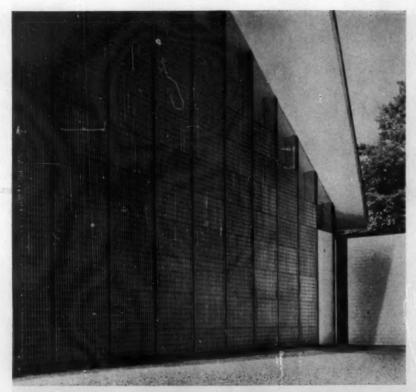
Right: secondary entrance and plaza. Wall to right of entrance encloses lounge. These walls and those defining exterior courts are cavity brick panels separated by colored glass slots. The brick is a glazed oversize type.





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#### Synagogue for Congregation Beth El

Left: front wall is made of porcelain enameled metal insulating panels with anodized aluminum grilles on the exterior and painted steel grilles on the interior . . . in both cases separated from the panels. Rear wall at edge of lounge is similar

Right top: raised "Bema." Clear glass runs entirely around synagogue at the intersection with the roof. Finished ceiling surfaces throughout are plaster

Right bottom: the side walls of the synagogue are of combinations of colored and tinted glass. Structure encloses an unbroken sweep of space from the "Bema" through the synagogue and beyond the lounge to the small chapel

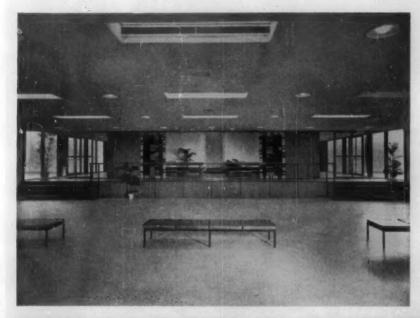
Below: main entrance. Small chapel is beyond wooden screen. Lounge is four steps lower to the left







#### Synagogue for Congregation Beth El



Left: small chapel as seen from lounge. Below: chapel ark (visible at edge of picture) is illuminated by skylight. Tapestries cover folding doors



Ben Schnall

# Architectural Engineering

SCHOOL COSTS: EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS. The way to significant economies is through accumulated small savings in construction, greater care in financing and timing of bids, and more attention to features which affect maintenance and operating costs, according to a report for the N. Y. State Education Department by the School of Architecture at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. Some construction aspects cited: Modular Planning-"... probably offers more promise than any other current technological concept" (repetitive bay dimensions, beam lengths, window locations, mechanical service units, etc.). Prefabrication—casework is more economical to build off site. Better to use repetitive stock items instead of repetitive custom items (e.g., stock windows). Thermal Insulation—can result in an annual savings of 10 per cent (fuel saved less insulation cost).

A survey of 461 central schools in New York showed that of the total annual cost, 12.1 per cent goes for debt service, 2.8 per cent for maintenance and 8.1 per cent for operation; the rest is teachers' salaries and administrative costs. Since maintenance and operation cost almost as much as the building, materials should be chosen for easier maintenance, and the building designed for most efficient

Codes and state regulations are far less restrictive than is often implied, the report suggests (little or no adverse effect on costs in N. Y.). On the matter of insurance, sampling of opinion indicated feeling that rates are higher than necessary and that some forms of construction are unduly penalized.

Specifications and Plans-lower bids through better plans and specs may save 5 per cent or more.

Bids—if contractor is not given ample time to prepare his bid, cost may increase by as much as 5 per cent.

From a list of 29 possible means of economy, architects and engineers participating in a round-table discussion picked these as top eight: (1) more objective research on real needs of schools, (2) re-examination of fire insurance rates, (3) minimizing length of exterior walls, (4) more time for architectural planning, (5) fewer arbitrary requirements by school authorities, (6) more receptive attitudes by building trades, (7) greater use of prefabricated components, (8) more attention to proper timing in

From a list of 34 means of economy, a contractors' round-table picked these eight: (1) elimination of "feather-bedding" practices by labor, (2) better preparation of architectural plans and details, (3) better architectural specs, (4) avoidance of structural overdesign, (5) better cooperation by architects and engineers, (6) more research on the question of real needs, (7) more offsite fabrication of components, (8) minimizing number of alternates required in bidding.

AR PENETRATES THE IRON CURTAIN WITH "THIN SHELLS." Thumbing through foreign periodicals, RECORD editors caught something familiar on the cover of the August issue of Architektura, from Warsaw. Poland. Sure enough it was an illustration that appeared in the first of Professor Mario Salvadori's AR articles on thin shells in July, 1954. Inside, the article itself led off an 8-page feature on shells. Well, after all, Mario Salvadori is not Boris Pasternak.

PLASTIC SANDWICHES. A three-year study of the architectural potential of lightweight plastic sandwich panels at M.I.T. has culminated in a 116-page book, in part covering structural analysis, materials technology, fabrication methods, handling operations and erection techniques. According to M.I.T.'s Marvin E. Goody who headed the project for the Monsanto Chemical Co., this construction material can (1) be lightweight, (2) be formed into doubly curved surfaces, (3) perform structurally, yet remain transparent or translucent, (4) have durable wearing surfaces, integral color, texture and insulation, all in one. The report can be bought from The Monsanto Chemical Co., Springfield, Mass. \$3.00.

IMPLICATIONS OF THE NEW ACI BUILDING as seen by its collaborators (AR, May 1957). Editors of the Journal of the American Concrete Institute spruced up their October issue with a four-color cover to commemorate dedication of the new ACI headquarters in Detroit, October 29. In the first article, Minoru Yamasaki says he thinks this building was a turning point in his firm's use of concrete; that it has made him intensely interested in precast concrete. He feels precasting offers an escape from flat, boxy architecture; that the concrete industry lags behind in its awareness of the potential . that the industry has scarcely begun to imagine what it can offer architecturally through the advantages of shop control in producing fine texture.

In the next piece Charles Whitney, of Ammann and Whitney, the engineers, concludes that, "the basic concept is so simple and direct that very little need be said about the structural design . . . there appears to be little to be learned from it structurally except how satisfactorily a folded plate without external insulation may serve as a roof of an office building in a northern location."

John Strang of Pulte-Strang, Inc., the general contractor, says somewhat plaintively that although construction "leaned on good, conventional construction practices . . . there were some unusual and difficult problems for the contractor. Concerning the fluted corridor wall, "In spite of the high quality form material and careful form workmanship, careful casting and vibrating, it was impossible to meet the architects' finish requirements without much hand labor . . . Architects who desire fine surface and sharp corners . . . might cut finishing costs by planning structures so that decorative wall areas can be precast horizontally."

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#### CHARACTERISTICS OF CLASSROOM HEATING AND VENTILATING SYSTEMS

From a report by Slocum & Fuller, Consulting Mechanical and Electrical Engineers

for the Joint School Research Program of ALCOA and Eggers & Higgins, Architects

The most casual study will show that school heating and ventilating is unlike any other heating and ventilating. The buildings are occupied for only three-quarters of the year, the occupants are divided into two groups of widely differing metabolism, and for the greater part of even the coldest day, there is more need for cooling than heating. There are many more of these little anomalies which, added to the usual strong emotions and weak budget attendant on school matters, makes heating and ventilating design for schools

the challenge that it is.

In general, any school equipment must be first of all strong, simple and foolproof, and long-lasting. It appears that, whenever possible, school boards expect the janitor (custodian) to do the mechanical maintenance and it is easier to get a janitor to do maintenance than to get a maintainer to sweep floors. Certain characteristics of schools in general are apt to work against an easy heating and ventilating solution. One of them is the large glass areas inherent in today's designs, making it difficult to counteract drafts and the "cold radiant" temperature of windows. Also a classroom full of kids busily studying will have enough heat gain from normal metabolism to more than offset the heat loss

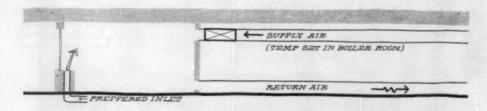
through the walls in all but the coldest days, making it only necessary to heat the classrooms just before school in the morning, during the lunch hour and at reduced temperature (cutback) with no ventilation at night. While this is only fully true for the Temperate and North Temperate zones, the fact serves as emphasis on the need for good ventilation in any zone.

Each heating system has its own private set of advantages and limitations which must be planned for in any application. The more significant of them are itemized below.

#### Warm Air Systems

The first and most important part of design for warm air heating is the study of distribution within the conditioned space. Air distribution is, for the most part, built into the fabric of the building and impossible to change subsequently. Warm air has little heat storage capacity and takes much more space to carry an equivalent amount of heat than steam-35 times as much-or water-140 times as much-(when delivering one million Btu per hr at conventional velocities). This handicap is reduced greatly by the fact that a warm air system includes a ventilating system in itself and therefore takes up not much more room than a good ventilating system. Duct arrangements for the individual room vary in cost with the amount of trenching involved in the case of a slab-on-grade structure, and in any case with the length of run used to insure proper distribution. In order of increasing cost, representative systems are: (1) sidewall supply and corridor return, (2) sidewall supply and return, (3) sidewall supply and underwindow return, (4) underwindow supply and wall return. The first two always involve a compromise in air distribution in that the sidewall supply is ineffective in preventing drafts and stratification; in addition there are possible fire code troubles and acoustic difficulties with the large louvers between room and corridor. The third involves a trench plenum which will swallow up the worst of the window downdrafts and is one of the better compromises in distribution of warm air. The last scheme has the best distribution of air but, like all duct systems, involves expensive ductwork with the usual troubles accompanying responsibility that is limited in time and scattered among subcontractors.

A concept that has served a long apprenticeship in commercial buildings and might now be adaptable to schools is the high-velocity air system. Ducts are smaller in this system



CENTRALLY-CONTROLLED WARM AIR

#### Installation

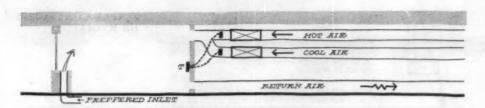
Poer-supply and return at corridor Acceptable-return air at window Best-supply at window No separate ventilation system needed Unobtrusive, no protrusion in room "Acceptable" and "best" solutions could make trenching necessary Return air can be in plenum

#### Maintenance

Easy to clean All maintenance outside classroom Little vandalism risk Low noise with proper design

#### Remarks

No provision for individual room control A "minimum" system



# Installation

Acceptable-supply and return at corridor

Better-return at window

Best-supply at window No separate vent system needed

Unobtrusive, some protrusion under window with "better" and "best" arrangements

Twice the supply duct space as in sim-ple systems; high-velocity ducts would take less space but use more equipment

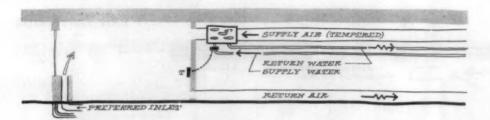
# Maintenance

Easy to clean, little local maintenance Little vandal risk

Careful design will minimize duct and fan noise

# Remarks

Individual room control, rapid response Potential air conditioning system



WARM AIR BOOSTER COIL

# Installation

Acceptable-supply and return at cor-

Better-return air at window

Best-supply at window

No separate vent system needed

Unobtrusive, chance of some protrusion into room with "best" above if booster coil is put below window

Duct space comparable to simple warm air system

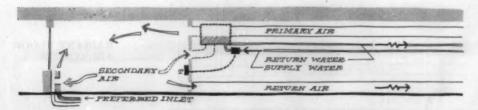
# Maintenance

Easy to clean, little local maintenance Little vandal risk

# Remarks

Individual room control with rapid re-

Potential air conditioning system



# INDUCTION SYSTEM

# Installation

Possible-supply and return at corridor Better-return at window

Best (and usual)—supply at window No separate ventilation system needed "Best" system makes for protrusion un-

der window Usually uses high-velocity primary air supply system (small one since only ventilating quantities are supplied)
"Better" and "best" uses may use
trenches

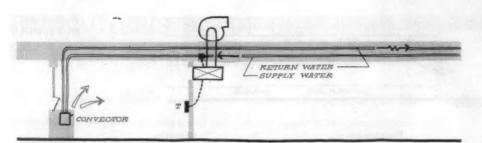
# Maintenance

Some inside maintenance on "best" arrangement

Some vandal risk Some risk of noise

# Remarks

Individual room control, rapid response Can be used for air conditioning



SIMPLE CONVECTOR OR RADIATOR

# Installation

Usually on outside wall
Usually combined with exhaust fan
system

Protrudes into room, but convector can be incorporated into furniture

If steam is used, trench may be needed

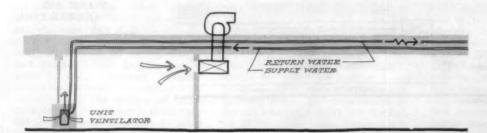
# Maintenance

No local maintenance except for rare valve troubles

Exposed radiators and convectors Not vandal proof

# Remarks

Individual control, fairly fast response A favorite inexpensive system Can be electric if rates are favorable



UNIT VENTILATOR

# Installation

Usually installed under window or in outer wall

Uses supplementary exhaust system Protrudes into room, some manufacturers minimize this by combining with

shelving and storage cabinets

If steam is used for heat, trench may be needed for condensate return

# Maintenance

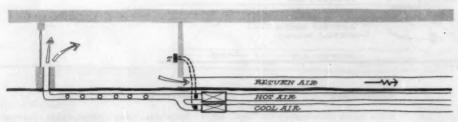
Most maintenance is local, fan motors, filter changing, etc. Not vandal proof

May get noisy with age

# Remarks

Some degree of cooling possible with water systems. With refrigeration, air conditioning possible

Individual room control, rapid response A favorite "good" system



RADIANT FLOOR AIR SYSTEM

# Installation

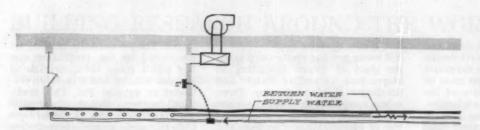
Outlet at window advisable
No separate vent needed
Slight protrusion into room at window
This arrangement takes twice the usual
supply duct space though high-velocity supplies could be used, saving
some of it

# Maintenance

No local maintenance Vandal proof

# Remarks

Individual room control, some floor lag Good for kindergarten rooms Construction costs high



# Installation

Separate ventilation system needed, usually an exhaust fan Does not show in room

Necessitates great care in floor slab design and construction supervision

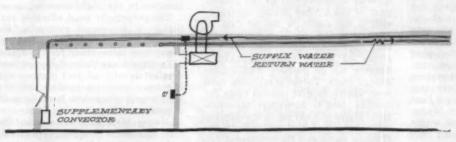
# Maintenance

Little or no local maintenance Vandal proof Repair quite difficult

# Remarks

Individual room control, sluggish response reduces possible night cutback

A strong possibility for kindergartens



RADIANT CEILING WATER SYSTEM

# Installation

In some applications, a supplementary convector under the window cuts downdrafts

Separate ventilation system needed Does not show in room

Traditionally pipe is plastered in, systems available using metal pan ceiling

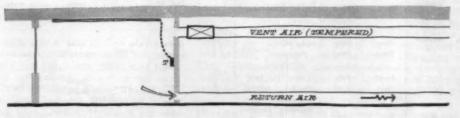
# Maintenance

Little or no local maintenance Vandal proof Difficult to repair if plastered in

# Remarks

Individual room control, rapid response for metal pan ceiling, less so for plastered-in types Cooling a possibility

Acoustic treatment built-in with metal



RADIANT CEILING ELECTRIC

# Installation

Separate vent system needed Invisible in room Several systems available, area or lineelement types predominate

# Maintenance

Practically no maintenance Repair easy in some systems Vandal proof

# Remarks

Individual room control, rapid response Economical only with favorable rates Modulated control expensive and air circulation in the room can be much more effective. Duct design and construction are more expensive and special room equipment must be used to reduce the pressure of the air and absorb any associated noise. This equipment raises the cost of such a system to the extent that careful study of equipment costs versus the savings in building cube must be made before it is specified.

# Steam Systems

Steam heat distribution takes up less room per Btu than warm air, but of course needs a supplementary ventilating system. While steam is not as popular as it once was, most engineers are familiar with steam and none will cavil at designing a system as they might with more sophisticated schemes. Structurally, a steam system requires a trench for condensate return in all slab-ongrade buildings and a condensate trap on every radiating unit. Of two steam heating methods, the two-pipe pumped return, and two-pipe vacuum return, only the vacuum system has the range of temperature and consequent flexibility of control that warm air and hot water have. Warm air with a 70 deg range and water with 130 deg contrast with the "open" steam system having maximum range of 28 deg and the vapor system with a range of 80 deg. The two pipe vacuum return arrangement is quite economical and flexible and though the pumps are expensive. savings in pipe can sometimes make up the difference.

# Hot Water Systems

Hot water now has pretty much taken the place of steam. Designers no longer fear unfamiliar "bugs" and the danger of winter freezup. There is less equipment involved (no traps for instance), than in a steam system of comparable performance and trenching is not a requirement as all piping can be run in the ceiling or above the baseboard. Hot water is the most economical and efficient Btu carrier of the three, air, steam and water, and with a temperature range in everyday use of 130 deg, it is the easiest to control flexibly.

# Electricity

Increasing attention is being paid to the possibilities of electricity as a temperature-control medium, either directly or indirectly. In the greater part of the United States electricity still is too costly to use as fuel. If heating is done by heat-pump methods, approximately double the efficiency of direct radiation, electric heating can be possible with higher energy costs. Power companies have been known to give special rates for heating uses to encourage consumption. There is a saving in installation costs over coal and oil only if the furnace room and its equipment can be eliminated, then the saving may amount to as much as 10 per cent.

# Ventilating Systems

During most of the class time, as explained above, the heating problem is a negative one, heat must be re-

moved. The job normally must be accomplished by the ventilating system which, many times, consists of an open window and a corridor ventilator or exhaust fan. This traditional system, though it actually was fairly effective in yesterday's high-ceilinged rooms, nevertheless becomes inadequate in today's buildings with fewer cubic feet given to each pupil. The next step up the line in effectiveness, to unit ventilators, is a big one. These ventilators are effective in all types of weather (windows must be closed on windy, rainy days when ventilation is most needed to dry wet coats for instance) and, while they seem expensive in that most of the system cost per room is paid to one manufacturer, the undivided responsibility and single-package purchasing make them quite attractive in the right circumstances.

The potentially most effective ventilator is a central system where outlets can be effectively placed and the system tailor-made for the space. It must be carefully designed and detailed as with all duct systems and if proper provision in duct size and supply grill placement is made, such a system can be converted to air conditioning. Here let it be said that the last statement is quite expensively untrue if the said provisions have not been made. In any other context the central system for ventilation alone is too expensive for most school budgets, for classroom use. Large rooms, assembly halls and gymnasiums, however, must use some form of central system.

# CENTRAL DISTRIBUTION METHODS

Type System	First Cost	Opera- tion & Main- tenance	Ease of Control & Fuel Economy	Speed of Re-	Depressed Boiler Room	Trench or Crawl Space	Number of Piping or Duct Systems	Corridor Duct & Pipe Space Required	Danger of Freeze-up	Danger of Hot Surfaces	Danger of Noise
TWO PIPE STEAM OPEN PUMPED RETURN	Medium	Medium to High	Good	Good	Pump Pit Only	Always	2	Low to . Medium	Some	Some (210-228°)	Little Water Hammer
TWO PIPE STEAM VACUUM RETURN	Medium to High	Medium to High	Very Good	Very Good	Pump Pit Only	Always	2	Low to Medium	Some	Some (160-210°)	Little Water Hammer
TWO PIPE FORCED HOT WATER	Low to Medium	Low to Medium	Excel- lent	Very Good	Not Needed	Not Needed	2	Low	Some	Small (80-270°)	Very slight
FORCED WARM AIR HOT WATER OR STEAM Heat Control	High	High	Excel- lent	Excel- ient	Depends on reheat medium	Depends on reheat medium	4*	High	Some	None	Fan and air
FORCED WARM AIR FURNACE WITH MIXING DAMPER CONTROL	Low to Medium	Low	Excel- lent	Excel- lent	Not Needed	May not be needed	3*	Very High	None	None	Fan and air
ELECTRIC CONDUCTORS	Low	Very High	Excel- lent	Excel- lent	Not Needed	Not Needed	1	Very Low	Done	Some	Some

# BUILDING RESEARCH AROUND THE WORLD

By R. F. Leggett, Director, Division of Building Research National Research Council, Ottawa, Canada

In his post as a director of building research for the past 10 years, the author has visited the major national building research organizations of the East and West. Here he shows how broadly building research has taken hold in this decade by summarizing the main efforts of some 20 countries. He excepts building research in the U.S. which has such complicated interrelationships among industry, trade groups, professional organizations, commercial laboratories and universities, that it is a vast subject in itself that must be treated separately.

Ten years ago "building research" was to most people just a name, a mystical blending of the wonder word of the age—"research"—and "building", one of the most wide-spread of human activities. There were many who expected miracles to follow immediately upon the mere establishment of a building research organization—certainly so in Canada.

Clearly there are no miracles to be expected in the way of new building materials or processes, but only steady progress in improving build-

Building research should not be concerned just with the properties of single materials (important though such work is for manufacturers) but with the integration of varied materials and components into completed structures and with the performance of completed buildings, of their constituent materials and of their components.

What is the position today? What have other countries done in this field? What is the pattern of development in building research?

[Note: The author has personally visited many of the building research facilities described hereafter. Members of the staff of the Division of Building Research have visited other stations; these are marked (\*). Stations which have not been visited at all are marked (\*\*)]

Although a few modest starts on organized building research had been made ten years ago, there was then only one well-established agency outside of the United States, the *British* Building Research Station at Watford near London. It was a pioneer not only in 1947 but for a quarter of a century before that!

The British Road Research Laboratory and British Joint Fire Research Station were offsprings of the Building Research Station, as are al-

so, in a less direct way, so many of the other building research stations existing today. The Station is a part of the British Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, obtaining its funds from government, working very closely with industry, and publishing the results of its work for public benefit. Its "Building Science Abstracts" have long been world renowned and justly so. Today under the leadership of Dr. F. M. Lea, it holds a unique place not only as the pioneer of all building research stations but as the largest such organization today with a staff of over 600.

In Canada we have a completely equipped building research center, whose capital investment is about 41/2 million, and a new fire research building. Headquarters are in Ottawa and there are regional stations in Halifax, Saskatoon, Vancouver and Norman Wells (almost on the Arctic Circle). Staff numbers about 200. The organizational pattern is similar to other Commonwealth stations. funds being supplied by the government, although the privileged position of the National Research Council of Canada, under which the Division of Building Research was organized in 1947, gives an enviable degree of freedom and flexibility.

Australia with an area of almost 3,000,000 square miles and a population of 9,000,000, contains within its boundaries most varied climatic conditions, ranging from temperate to tropical, and therefore has many building problems. It is served by two building research organizations. The Commonwealth Experimental Building Station was started in 1944 in order to deal with pressing postwar housing problems, but its functions have gradually taken on a broader aspect. It is located at Sydney and has a staff of about 40.

A second building research agency with its headquarters in Melbourne, Victoria, The Division of Building Research Organization, is concerned mostly with relating to building materials and their use. Its staff numbers about 45.

New Zealand is a little country with an area of only about 100,000 square miles and a population of about 2,000,000. It has, however, a Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, located in Auckland, and within this organization are two divisions which include many functions normally carried out by a building research station.

The island country of Japan \*\* with its fantastic population density of 3200 per square mile of cultivated land, has, naturally, a very special interest in seeing that its building is carried out as efficiently and economically as possible. Located in Tokyo, the Japanese Building Research Institute was established in 1946 as part of the Ministry of Construction of the Central Government. There are five research divisions and two sections. Present staff numbers about 50, but its production of valuable papers, many of them in English as well as in Japanese, has been notable. Work includes town planning, as well as research into the more usual fields of building materials, structures, soil mechanics and fire protection.

To the southwest is one of the traffic junctions of the world, the tiny island of Singapore. One would not expect to find here anything unusual in the way of building research activity. But in 1956, I saw remarkable public housing which in itself represented building research at its best. Public housing has been developed in a steadily increasing volume, each new development being improved on the basis of studies of the development last built.

While thinking of this far-distant part of the world, special reference must be made of the Regional Housing Center of Indonesia \*\*, which was established by the government in Bandung in 1955. Its main function is to help solve the great housing problems in humid tropical areas not only in Indonesia but in adjacent countries, through laboratory research and general studies. Supported by the Indonesian Government, the Center has been assisted by the United Nations, particularly through the loan of experts in various fields of housing.

India with its 360,000,000 people, most of them living at a level of bare subsistence, in itself presents perhaps the greatest building research

From a paper before the Building Research Institute in Washington, D. C., April 1953 challenge of the entire world. This country is tackling its research problems through a central Council of Scientific and Industrial Research of which Professor M. Thacker is directing head. The Central Building Research Institute at Roorkee, U.P. was established in 1950. It now has a staff of about 100. The present Director is Lt.-Gen. Sir Harold Williams, K.C.B., aided by two Indian Assistant Directors.

The Union of South Africa is in keeping with other Commonwealth countries in having a South African Council for Scientific and Industrial Research. One unit within this Council is the National Building Research Institute. Its staff numbers about 100. The Institute occupies its own building in Pretoria, under the leadership of its Director, Mr. N. Stutterheim, and is putting emphasis on problems of buildings in hot weather and low-cost housing for African workers having high priority.

Journeying north to one of the newest of all countries of the world, Ghana, we find a small research unit, the West African Building Research Institute.\*\* Started on 1952, it serves the governments of Nigeria, Ghana (then the Gold Coast), Sierra Leone and Gambia. The Institute will have two centers, one at Accra in Ghana and the other at Zaria in Nigeria.

Although Portugal is one of the smallest countries of Europe, it has one of the most extensive and best equipped building research establishments of the old world, the Laboratório Nacional de Engenharia Civil\*, the Director of which is Dr. Manuel Rocha. Located not far from the center of Lisbon, it began its work in 1947 and receives its funds from the central government and from receipts for work done for public and private bodies. Staff totals 320 and the buildings, with an area of over four acres, are located on a site of about 60 acres.

Although other European countries are not all so fortunate with their physical facilities, there is some organization dealing with building research problems in every major country of Europe. In France, are the Centre Scientifique et Technique de Bâtiment\* which is a semi-public organization and, closely parallel to it, Les Laboratoires du Bâtiment et des Travaux Publics\* both in Paris.

In Holland will be found a number of research units dealing with various phases of building research. All are part of one of the oldest of national research bodies, the justly famous T.N.O.—The Central Organization for Applied Scientific Research, established in 1932. The Institute

T.N.O. for Building Materials and Building Construction\* was formed in 1954 in Rotterdam. The Paint Research Institute and the heat and acoustics sections of the Central Technical Institute\* serve special branches of building research. The well-known Bouwcentrum\* is a separate organization, also government sponsored, for the dissemination of the results of research and other information on building.

There is considerable activity in the building research field in Germany. Much of this work is being carried out in the technical universities of Western Germany, most of which have engineering research institutes and material testing laboratories attached to them. Noteworthy among the technical universities are the University of Stuttgart, the Institute for Technical Physics\*, and the Universities of Darmstaat\*, Hannover and Munich\* with their respective engineering institutes. A small field station\* near Holzkirchen has various small pilot buildings for study of various constructions in relation to the weather. In addition there is an Institute for Building Research in Hannover and also, as a central co-ordinating agency for the building industry, the German Bauzentrum (or Building Center). This organization collects, evaluates and disseminates research results and practical experience in the construction field, and consists of an information service in Cologne and a documentation center in Stuttgart.

Over the border in Switzerland the well-known Swiss genius in technical work is reflected in the remarkable organization to be found in Zurich, officially called the Federal Material Testing Institute but which is, in many ways, a building research organization as well.

In Europe there are now two international agencies which contribute to liaison of building research information, primarily for European countries but each with world-wide membership. The International Union of Testing and Research Laboratories for Materials and Structures, more commonly called RILEM, was founded in 1947 and is a private organization. The International Council for Building Research Studies and Documentation, more commonly called CIB, was formed in 1954, under the auspices of the United Nations, by the combination of some existing international and European organizations. Headquarters of RILEM are in Paris and of CIB in Rotterdam.

In Denmark, the Danish National Institute for Building Research has its headquarters in Copenhagen. Because of the existence of active laboratories, this Institute has concentrated upon a vitally important, but often neglected, activity which can best be described as "desk research." The staff of this Institute is therefore small but its work is notable.

Across the Sound into Stockholm. Sweden, is The State Institute for Building Research under the leadership of its director, Dr. M. Jacobsson with a staff of about 40. This building research organization chiefly operates via the means of committees. Sweden also has a high regard for "desk research" and has much of its experimental work carried out in universities and in the well-known Government Testing Laboratory. Perhaps the most unusual feature of Swedish building research (as well as that in Norway) is that the financing of operations comes from a small tax on the income of contractors engaged in the building industry.

Across the Baltic Sea in Finland still another pattern is found. A singularly active State Council for Technical Research, under the direction of Dr. E. Wegelius is located now in the center of Helsinki. The Technical University and the State Council are jointly developing a modern research and industrial center on the outskirts of the city which, even today, must be the envy of almost all who visit it. The thermal test building was already in operation there in 1957. The building for cement and concrete research work was under construction.

Across the border to the east, the Soviet scene includes a Building Research Station as a constituent part of the Academy of Architecture of the U.S.S.R.\*\*

In the opposite direction is Norway, a sea-girt country, with close affinity to Finland, and its full share of building problems. The fact that the Gulf Stream maintains open water along its entire coast throughout the year, far to the north of the Arctic Circle—to give just one example—leads to quite unusual problems of rain penetration.

Building research is, therefore, a long-standing tradition in Norway. Some of the first "test huts" known to the writer were constructed at the Technical University as early as 1919 in the ancient city of Trondheim. Here the Norwegian Building Research Institute has its present laboratory facilities, a new building approaching completion in the campus of the Technical University. Headquarters of the Institute, headed by Director O. Birkeland, are, however, in Oslo. The Institute was started in 1953 and the staff now numbers 40.

# Plastics Materials for Lighting

From a paper by William Demarest, Director, Plastics in Construction, Manufacturing Chemists' Association

Plastics industry chemists are only half-joking when they say "Tell us just what molecule you want and we'll develop it for you." After thousands of years of making do with natural materials for building purposes, we are now entering a new era in construction technology in which the designer may, for the first time, work outside the limitations imposed by traditional materials. Already such synthetics as plastics have found a ready market in building—though still mostly in inconspicuous roles—simply because of their excellent performance.

The features of plastic materials which have carried them so rapidly to an important position in building are obvious: light weight, with a high strength-to-weight ratio; resistance to corrosion, wear and fungi; ease of forming; heat, moisture and electrical resistance; complete colorpenetration and excellent light-controlling properties. Because of these characteristics, plastics are particularly suitable for use in the lighting of buildings. However, all plastics are not alike, and their usefulness in illumination depends on the degree to which they possess the above-mentioned properties.

The materials currently used can be grouped into six types:

acrylics
cellulosics
reinforced polyesters
styrene
vinyl
ureas and melamines

The charts on this page show the relative positions of these materials with regard to those features which affect their use in illumination. Since plastics materials going under one generic label are actually capable of quite a range of properties, depending upon the particular formulation employed, the figures shown are only approximate.

Light transmittance. There are certain properties that are more or less common to all the plastics materials we are considering. For instance, except for the ureas and melamines, their light transmittance can be so high as to compare favorably with that of clear glass. Stated in terms of the maximum possible percentage of light transmittance of which the plastic is capable, the cellulosics, acrylics, and styrene show

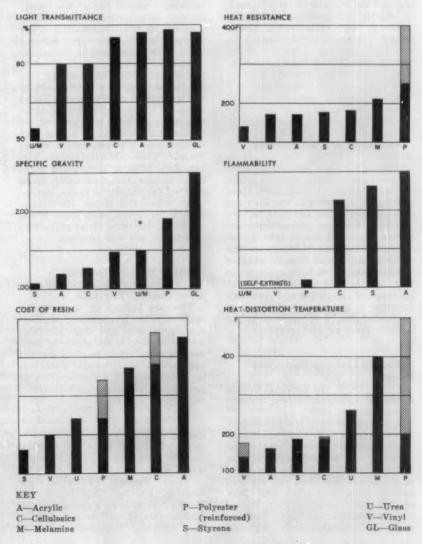
about the same rating as glass. When they are compounded properly with a standard white pigment in order to change the material from a clear to a diffusing medium, very little of this high transmission is sacrificed (in practical thicknesses). Transmissions of thermoplastics are also relatively independent of changes in thickness. Thus, thickness variations as large as 15 mils frequently result in only a three to five per cent change in transmission.

Relative costs shown are in terms of cost per unit weight of the basic material. Installed costs will of course depend on the application, but the chart will serve to sort out the plastics according to their cost in the form in which they are originally

produced. In this instance, the polyester was considered alone, without taking into account the cost of the glass fiber reinforcement. The higher of the two polyester costs is for the flame-retardant type.

Rigidity of the four thermoplastics is about the same, their moduli of elasticity in flexure ranging from roughly 150 to 500 thousand psi. Although this is not very high for structural materials, it is ample for properly designed lighting applications. The thermosetting plastics of course have much greater rigidity, with the reinforced polyesters approximating the stiffness of structural lumber.

Weather resistance. If plastics are continued on page 178



**Buildings at Brussels** 

Now that the Brussels World Fair is history and press coverage of the event has dwindled from a deluge to a trickle, a leisurely second look at the architecture it produced is perhaps in order. Among the foreign periodicals which have viewed the Fair in some detail are two—both published in English—that approach it from a more utilitarian standpoint than has the American press, emphasizing the "how" as well as the "what" of the included buildings.

The July-August issue of Acier-Stahl-Steel, for example, places heavy emphasis on the Atomium, reporting fully on its design, erection and testing, and the stability of its structure, in articles well-seasoned with detail drawings and construction photographs. The balance of the issue is devoted to a roundup of the more noteworthy steel-framed structures at the Fair (about 80 per cent of the buildings fall into this category), and a "picture tour" of some of the small industry-sponsored buildings that elsewhere have been covered glancingly if at all.

Expanding the tour theme, The Architects' Journal, May 29, 1958, sets up an itinerary with exhibits arranged in descending order of architectural significance, and allots space and linage accordingly. The Fair has of course been done and done, but the Journal's critique characteristically probes somewhat deeper into the essentials of both the buildings and the exhibits they house than do most of the accounts which have appeared in this country, and the relatively full coverage of structures and materials includes a generous sprinkling of plans and details in addition to the by now familiar photographs.

# Trends in Lighting Equipment Design

by Berlon C. Cooper Electrical Construction and Maintenance, October 1958

A detailed analysis and roundup of current trends in lighting equipment design includes "the products and opinions" of all segments of the lighting industry. Among the types of equipment described and depicted are: in-room luminaires, both fluorescent and incandescent; louver ceilings; diffuser ceilings; troffers; recessed incandescents; lighting

components (lenses, ballasts and transformers); residential lighting fixtures; fixtures which either produce colored light or are themselves colored; industrial lighting fixtures; outdoor lighting fixtures; street and highway lighting fixtures; light sources (incandescent, fluorescent, mercury and electroluminescent lamps); and power systems. Each is discussed in the context of present and projected developments in lighting.

# New Footcandle Tables

The October '58 issue of Electrical Construction and Maintenance also includes a partial list of the recommended illumination levels recently adopted by the Illuminating Engineering Society. These new lighting levels, which are based on the results of an eight-year project sponsored by the Illuminating Engineering Research Institute and carried out by the University of Michigan's Vision Research Laboratory under the direction of Dr. Richard H. Blackwell, are in almost every instance higher than those formerly recommended by the Society. (See ARCHITECTURAL REC-ORD, July 1958, p. 200) Those listed here include the footcandle levels adopted for industrial areas, institutions, offices and stores. Recommendations for several other types of visual tasks, including those performed in schools, are still pending.

# **Printing Machine Isolation**

by Laymon N. Miller and Ira Dyer Noise Control, July 1958

The case history of "a particular problem in the transmission of structure-borne noise and vibration from a printing shop to an adjoining engineering office" offers pointers that are applicable to many similar situations in which noise of manufacturing or processing operations may interfere with other activities.

# Recent ASHAE Papers

Items of interest from the ASHAE Journal Section of Heating, Piping & Air Conditioning:

"Solar Energy Utilization for Heating, Cooling, Distillation and Drying," June 1958, a discussion and decimal-divided outline prepared by the ASHAE Technical Advisory Committee on Solar Energy Utilization, is intended "to show broadly the technical information needed in the solution of solar energy problems."

"Winter Infiltration Through Swinging-Door Entrances in Multi-Story Buildings," February 1958, presents results of a study of infiltration based on field and laboratory tests under winter heating conditions. A procedure and the necessary data for calculating entrance filtration are included.

"A Water-Cooled Luminaire in a Panel-Air System," June 1958, reports on the investigation of a panel-cooling system in which water-cooled panels form the reflector and extensions of a fluorescent luminaire. Data found to be accurate within the range required for sound air conditioning load analysis shows the heat transfer mechanisms and the performance of these luminaires operating as cooling panels in a suspended metal ceiling.

An Annotated Bibliography on Permeability and Waterproofing of Concrete, compiled by F. Kocataskin and published by the National Research Council, Ottawa, Canada, lists and briefly reviews the contents of available literature on hydrostatic permeability, capillarity, evaporation and vapor permeability of concrete, and the effects of integral and surface waterproofers. The 151 references included have been divided into eleven sections to distinguish between the various types of permeability (saturated, unsaturated and vapor), between integral and surface waterproofing, and between such subjects as efflorescence, moisture and damp-proofing.

# How MPS's Will Affect You JOURNAL of Homebuilding, Sept.

The first of a series on the FHA's new Minimum Property Standards (published this fall) points out their advantages over the Minimum Property Requirements they supplant via the effective and simple device of an item-by-item comparison. Topics dealt with in this issue include plot planning, building planning, storage, ceiling heights, finish elevations, light and ventilation, insulation and vapor barriers.

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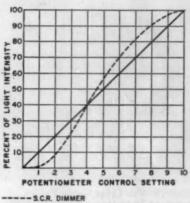
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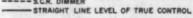
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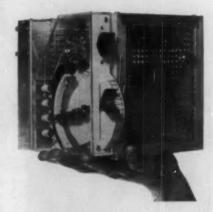
A 4000 watt dimmer is currently available, with 5, 10 and 12 thousand watt models scheduled for production in the near future. Kliegl Bros., 321 West 50th St., New York, N. Y.

RELATIVE PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS OF AVAILABLE DIMMING CONTROLS

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SIZE OF DIMMER COMPONENT PER KW OF LOAD CAPACITY	34 to 3½ cu ft	1/4 to 1/2 cu ft	1/4 to 1/2 cu ft	Via cu ft
EFFICIENCY	95 to 97%	90 to 95%	90%	98.5%
RESPONSE ON-OFF	Selected speeds available from 6 to 45 seconds	0.4 to 1 1/4 sec lag, depending on loading	virtually instantaneous	virtually instantaneous
LOADING	essentially Infinite	from 30 to 1 to 100 to 1	Infinite	infinite
AUXILIARY APPARATUS	none	booster transformer	ouxiliary or booster transformers	none
NOISE	60 cycle hum	60 cycle and 120 cycle hum	tube conduction	none
APPROXIMATE DIMMER BANK COST RATIO (less controls)	100%	200%	175%	200%







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more products on page 192

Finishes for Maple Floors

Revised specifications establish standards for finishes for both heavy duty and gymnasium floors of Northern Hard Maple; include developments and improvements made since previous specs were issued. Maple Flooring Manufacturers Assn. 35 East Wacker Drive, Chicago 1, Ill.

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# Movable Wall System (A.I.A. 36-H-6)

Reference guide gives product information; general and type specifications for Richland movable interior walls. 4 pp. GR Products Inc., 2417 Eastern Ave., S. E., Grand Rapids, Mich.\*

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# Monarch Wall Color Guide Folder

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# Lupton Aluminum Curtain Walls

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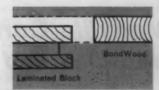
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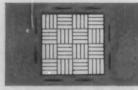
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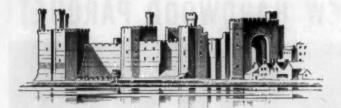
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# CHECKING A PRESTRESSED CONCRETE BEAM: 1\*

by Elwyn E. Seelye

\*Adapted from material soon to be published in a new edition of "Design, Data Book for Civil Engineers" by John Wiley & Sons, Inc.

### BASIC FORMULAS

# Flexure:

Stress due to dead, live and impact loads

Stress due to

prestressing = 
$$\frac{P}{A} = \frac{P e y}{I}$$
 (initial)

$$= \frac{NP}{A} = \frac{NP \cdot y}{I} \text{ (final)}$$

### Shear

Principal tensile stress = 
$$\sqrt{v^2 + \frac{c^3}{4}} - \frac{c}{2}$$

# Ultimate strength:

$$pb = .23 \times \frac{0.8 \, f'c}{f's}$$

For p less than or equal to pb

Mu = .9 as f's d

For p greater than pb

### NOMENCLATURE

A = cross sectional area

Ac = effective area of concrete under bearing plate

Ap = area of bearing plate

aba = steel area for a balanced section (sq in.)

as = steel area (sq in.)

c = unit compression

d = depth of section from compression face to centroid of steel

e = eccentricity of prestressing group from neutral axis (in.)

fc = allowable stress in concrete

f'c = ultimate 28 day strength of concrete

f'ci = ultimate strength of concrete at time of presiress

fs = allowable stress in prestressing steel

f's = ultimate stress of prestressing steel

I = moment of inertia

M = bending moment

Mu = ultimate moment

 $^{1}\,\text{N}=\text{proportion of P remaining permanently}$ 

NP = permanent prestress force

<sup>1</sup> NOTE: The loss in the prestress force P is due to the shrinkage in the concrete, plastic flow of the concrete due to stress and the creep in the concrete and steel. This loss (percentage-wire) = 1-N

P = initial prestress force

p = as/wd

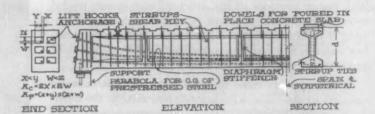
pb = value of p for a balanced section abs/wd

v = unit shear

w = average width of the compression area (in.)

<sup>2</sup> y = distance from neutral axis to point at which stress is to be computed

<sup>2</sup> Subscripts: b = bottom fibers; t = top



# ALLOWABLE STRESS IN PRESTRESSED CONCRETES

		Temporary Stresses 4	Permanent Stresses
Fleavre			
Extreme fiber stress in compression	Prefensioned Postensioned	0.60 f'ci 0.55 f'ci	0.40 f'c 0.40 f'c
Tension (without conventional reinforce- ment to resist tension)		0.05 f'd	0
Tension (with conventional reinforcement to resist tension)		0.05 f'ci	0.08 f'c
Shear			
At distance "X" from support ("X" being lent to 1½ x depth of beam) without			0.03 f'c
Bearing (between prestressing anchoral Use $f_b = .4 \text{ f'c} \sqrt[3]{\frac{\text{Ac}}{\text{An}}}$ if less than f'c		1.00 %	1.00 f'c

# ALLOWABLE STRESS IN STEEL REINFORCEMENT

	Temporary Stresses	Permanent Stresses
Tension Use 0.80 f'sy if less than .6 f's(f'sy = stress at .2% of	BEIN	
plastic set)	0.80 f'sy	0.60 f's1

# ULTIMATE STRENGTH

The ultimate strength must be able to withstand the greater of a or b

a = Dead load plus three times live plus impact loads

b = Twice the sum of dead, live and impact

<sup>3</sup> All material based on "Criteria for Prestressed Concrete Bridges" U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Public Roads, 1954 \* Before creep and shrinkage \* After creep and shrinkage due to dead, live, impact loads and any combination thereof.

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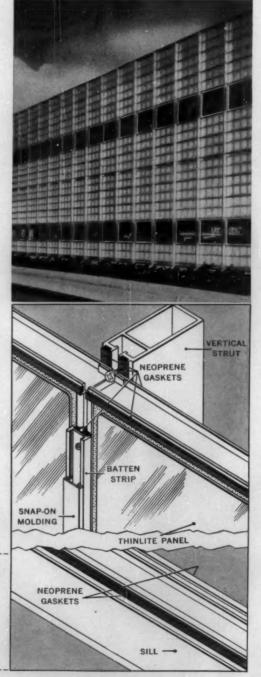
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# CHECKING A PRESTRESSED CONCRETE BEAM: 2\*

by Elwyn E. Seelye

\* Adapted from material soon to be published in a new edition of "Design, Data Book for Civil Engineers" by John Wiley & Sons, Inc.

# LOSSES IN PRESTRESS

Decrease in prestress (psi) due to creep, shrinkage and deformation

Pretension: 6000 + 16 fcs + 0.04 fsi

Post-tension: 3000 + 11 fcs + 0.04 fsi

fsi = initial prestress (psi)

fcs = concrete stress at c.g. of prestressing steel (psi)

(average concrete stress between support)

NOTE: loss in prestress may be taken as 0.15 f's as an approximation for preliminary design.

# PRESTRESS STEEL SIZE, SPACING, COVER

- (1) for beams where tension in the prestressing steel is maintained by bond
- (a) When single wires are used, maximum size 0.2 inches.
- (b) When wires are used in seven wire strands the maximum strand size is 3% inch.
- (c) Minimum spacing vertically and horizontally for prestressed steel shall be 3 times the diameter of wire or strand used measured from center to center. The clear distance shall not be less than 11/2 times the maximum size of coarse aggregate.
- (d) The minimum cover shall be 11/2 in. or one diameter of bar strand or duct whichever is greater.

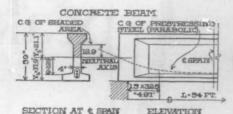
(2) For begins where tension in the prestressing steel is maintained by adequate end anchorage the above limitations are not applicable except that a clear spacing horizontally of  $1\frac{1}{2}$ times the maximum size of coarse aggregate shall be maintained.

### STIRRUPS !

Stirrups are recommended whether or not computations show they are needed. Maximum spacing no greater than 34 of depth of beam. The sum of the cross-sectional area of the stirrups should not be less than .08% of the cross-sectioned area.

All material based on "Criteria for Pre-stressed Concrete Bridges" U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Public Roads, 1954.

Example



Note: point "A" in Step 2 is located 4.87 ft from support (see elevation)

# CHECK OF PRESTRESSED CONCRETE BEAM?

f'c = 5000 psi f's = 145,000 psi

165 ft K Dead Load Moment exclusive of beam wt

200 ft K Live Load

365 H K

Moment due to beam wt = 102 ft K

Initial prestress force (P) = 284 K

Losses due to shrinkage & creep = 15%

Final prestress force (after 15% loss) = 242 K

# ALLOWABLE STRESSES

Concrete: Compression 0.40 x 5000 = 2000 psi

Tension = 0 Initially = 100,000 psi

After losses = 85,000 psi

# FLEXURE FORMULAS

Stress due to dead, live and impact loads M x y(t or b)

Stress due to prestressing force

Pey(torb)

Compression +

Tension -

# CHECK FOR BENDING AND DIAGONAL TENSION

# Sten 1

Compute top and bottom fiber stresses due to beam weight, applied moment and prestressing force before and after losses using basic formulas. Results are shown and tabulated on page 175.

- Check diagonal tension at point "A", 1.5 x
- <sup>7</sup> Based on "Criteria for Prestressed Concrete Bridges" U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Public Roads, 1954.

- depth of beam, from support (BPR Code) =  $1.5 \times 3.25 = 4.87 \text{ ft.}$
- At point "A" compute vertical shear due to beam weight and applied loads = (34.6 -1.28 × 4.871 = 28.4 K.
- Vertical component of prestressing force 4Ph for parabolic curve =  $\frac{1}{[L-2(1.5d)]}$  where h = rise in curve from center line span;

$$h = \frac{(27 - 4.67)^2}{27^2} \times 12.9 = 8.62 \text{ in.; vertical}$$

$$component = \frac{4 \times 242 \times 8.62}{272} = 15.7 \text{ K}$$

component = (52 - 2 x 4.87) 12 (upword)

- Total shear at section V = 28.4 15.7 = 12.7 K
- Principal tensile stress at neutral axis of section; unit vertical shearing stress = v = VQ 12700 x 1675

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# CHECKING A PRESTRESSED CONCRETE BEAM: 3\*

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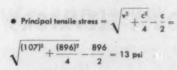
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stresses in prestressing

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O.K.

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Allowable stress = 0.03 f/c = 150 psi — O.K.

 Principal tension stress should be investigated at other critical points, these being the points of change in section.

# Step 3

Check ultimate strength of member. According to the BPR specifications the ultimate strength of the beam must exceed the greater of

(b) 
$$2(D.L. + L.L. + Imp) = 2(164 + 102 + 200) = 932$$
 ft Kips. This value governs.

The percentage of steel for balanced design

(pb) = .23 x 
$$\frac{0.8 \text{ f/c}}{\text{f/s}} = \frac{.23 \times 0.8 \times 5000}{145,000} =$$

• The actual percentage of steel (p actual) =

• The depth of the compressive area approximates .23 d = .23 x 34 = 7.82 and the section area corresponding to this depth = 74.9 sq in. Therefore the average compression

width (w) = 
$$\frac{74.9}{7.87}$$
 = 9.58.

• p actual = 
$$\frac{3 \text{ sq. in.}}{34 \times 9.58} = .915\%$$

 $a_{b_0} = pb \times wd = .00635 \times 9.58 \times 34 = 2.07$  sq in. Since p actual is greater than pb (.915 greater than .635) the ultimate moment (Mu) =  $.9\sqrt{as} \, a_{b_0} \, t's \, d = .9(\sqrt{3} \times 2.07) \times 145,000 \times 34 = 11,200,000 \, in. \, ib.$ 

$$M_{U} = \frac{11,200,000 \text{ in 1b}}{12 \times 1000} = 933 \text{ ft Kips}$$

933 ft Kips is greater than 932 ft Kips — O.K.

NOTE: Before beam is considered satisfactory check following: curvature of prestressing elements so that stresses at all sections are within allowable values; requirements of ultimate strength in diagonal tension, end block stresses and anchorage.

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# Another Department Store Says NEW WESTINGHOUSE ELEVATORS GET



"Operatorless elevators in department stores give real, tangible benefits not only to store managements, but also to its customers," says Betty Furness. "First of all, just having a

Westinghouse operatorless system in a store means the most modern, efficient elevator service available.



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3 "Note the absence of elevator operators. For department stores, this means a savings in wages, uniforms, training, insurance, and freedom from personnel problems. Economy,

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# "YES" to Operatorless Elevators! DENVER SHOPPERS' ENTHUSIASTIC APPROVAL



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because operatorless elevators have an electronic intelligence attuned to everchanging traffic demand.



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to be used in natural illumination, a vital consideration (and one that is difficult to evaluate) is permanence under exposure to weather. Tests have shown that sunlight does not of itself seriously deteriorate any of the plastics except vinyl, which may ultimately darken. Beyond this, on exposure to all-around weather conditions, the acrylics are outstanding and the thermosetting materials can be said to be good. The rest of the plastics used in building illumination do not stand up when exposed to weather.

Heat resistance, in degrees F, presents the maximum recommended continuous service temperature. Because plastics will begin to discolor after years of service as lighting diffusers, this property is an important consideration in the design of fixtures incorporating these materials. It can become critical when incandescent rather than fluorescent lighting is employed. For this reason, such thermosetting materials as the ureas and melamines, which generally have higher heat resistance than do the thermoplastics, are widely used in incandescent fixtures.

Relative flammability is determined by the rate at which a standard sample of a plastic material will continue to burn by itself once it has been set afire. Conventional acrylics, styrene and cellulosics will continue to burn of themselves, as will the reinforced polyesters. However, special formulations are being developed to present greater flame resistance, and there is already a special polyester material which—like vinyl, urea and melamine—is self-extinguishing.

Heat distortion temperature is stated in degrees F at which a standard sample of plastic will yield a specified amount while subjected to a standard stress and heated. Low heat-distortion temperature may be intentionally built into plastics used for lighting so that, in the event of a fire, certain safety measures, such as the exposure of hidden sprinklers above a luminous ceiling, will take place automatically. The plastic simply wilts and falls to the floor before a high enough temperature has been reached to actuate the sprinklers. Even when there is no sprinkler system, this same characteristic may be used to cause a flammable plastic incorporated in overhead illumination to drop down onto the floor where the likelihood of ignition and flamespread is less. Plastics used for natural illumination, particularly in skylights, may also be developed with a heat-distortion temperature suitable to provide automatic venting of a blaze within a building.

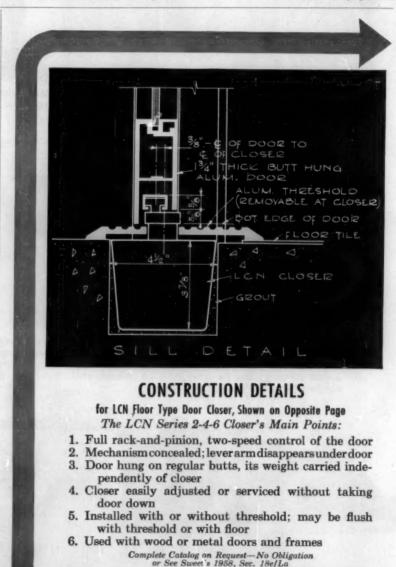
# Permafrost: The Biggest State's Biggest Building Problem

One big problem facing builders in Alaska is permafrost: permanently frozen ground, varying in depth from a few inches to 1300 ft. Above the permafrost is an "active zone," where alternate freezing and thawing takes place in winter and summer. Water can seep through this zone, affecting the permafrost surface. Too cold water will build it up and buckle the surface; too hot water will melt it, causing the ground to collapse.

Construction failures on perma-



frost usually result from the heat of buildings penetrating the ground and melting the permafrost below. Obviously the solution is to build down continued on page 182



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# MODERN DOOR CONTROL BY LCN - CLOSERS CONCEALED IN FLOOR

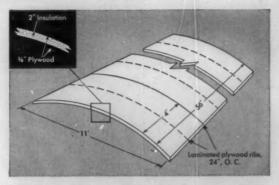
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# new approaches to structural design with fir plywood



Prefabricated roof vaults are 11 feet wide at the chord, and 56 feet long (40 foot span plus 8 foot cantilever both ends). Key to system is the outstanding shear strength of the stressed fir plywood skins.

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ARCHITECT: Theodore T. Boutmy, A. I. A.
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Structurally, the entire roof acts as a rigid plywood diaphragm in transferring lateral loads to the plywood end and shear walls. Two test vaults were successfully used at the San Francisco Arts Festival. Berkeley Plywood is contemplating mass producing the vaults as a standard construction component.

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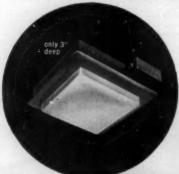
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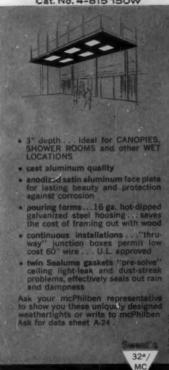
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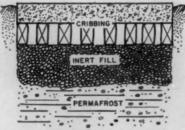
on solid rock or to insulate the building so that no heat goes downward. Unfortunately, a site cannot usually be selected that way, and no insulation is perfect.

Instead, the permafrost must be used. The cover can be removed down to the permafrost and replaced with non-frost-acting material, or pilings can support the building, or a combination of the two can be used. Cover-replacement is satisfactory if the fill is deep enough to insulate the permafrost from heat, but it is difficult to remove the cover without disturbing the permafrost. In summer, it will melt, making it necessary to wait for winter to finish the job.

Piles are placed by drilling at least 3 ft into the permafrost, placing the piles, and filling around them with a slurry of sand, crushed rock and water, and allowing it to freeze.

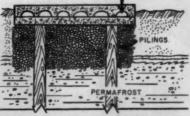
There should be at least 18 in. of air space between the insulated subfloor and the sub-base. Both the air space and the sub-base should be protected from the sun during the summer by a screen or light wall that can be removed in the winter.

Only two types of foundations should be used: a kind of cribbing, consisting of two sets of heavy mem-



bers (concrete beams, metal structural shapes or timbers) laid one on top of the other at right angles; or a heavy concrete slab poured on the sub-structure. On this are placed

> AIR CAVITIES CHILLED AIR BLOWN IN DURING SUMMER



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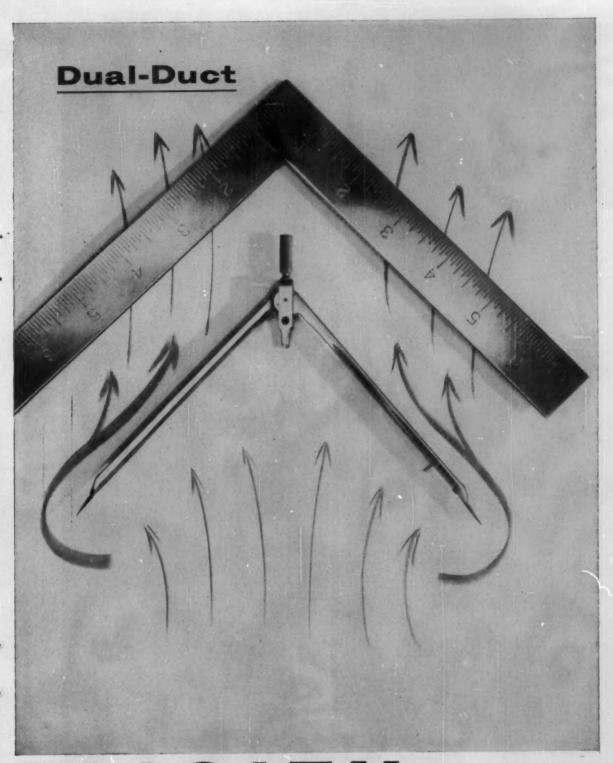
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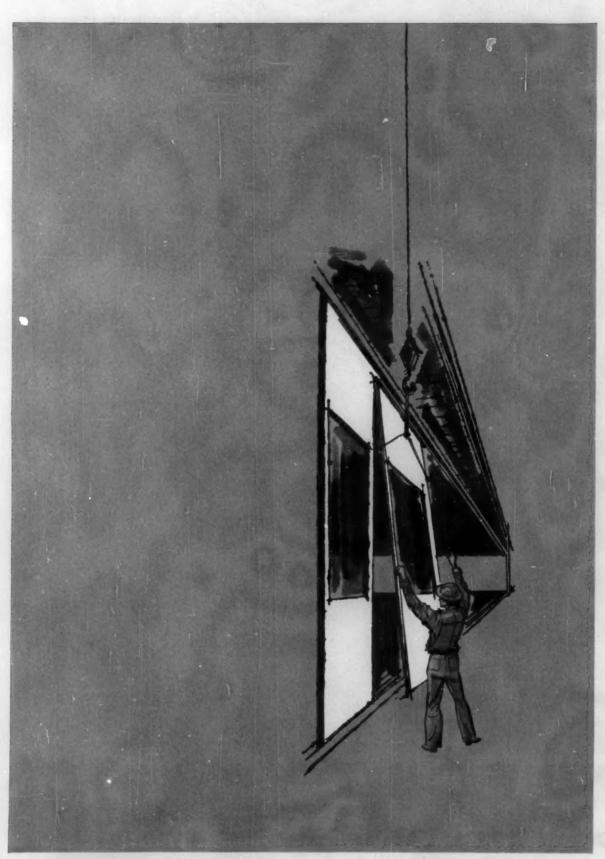


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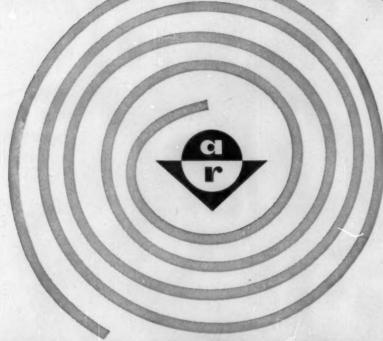
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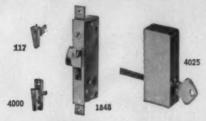
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# Technical Roundup

# **ASCE-IABSE Joint Meeting Reviews** Structure Here and Abroad

The annual convention of the American Society of Civil Engineers was this year highlighted by the joint sessions of the ASCE's Structural Division and the International Association of Bridge and Structural Engineering. Speakers were drawn from eight European countries as well as from the United States: and. as might be expected, their papers covered the full range of recent advances and future trends in structural engineering on two continents. Attention was divided almost equally between steel and concrete, with discussions of plastic design and stability considerations for steel structures countered by papers on ultimate strength and limit design of reinforced and prestressed concrete and folded plate structures, as well as on shells. Emphasis was also placed on research on such topics as the effects of ductility, creep and fatigue; model and theoretical analysis of dams and shells: and the effects of earthquake, blast and other dynamic forces on steel and concrete structures.

# Report Evaluates Commercially **Available Glazing Compounds**

According to the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company's Research Laboratory, extensive studies of commercial glazing materials, accompanied by a careful evaluation of field experiences, have revealed that dissatisfaction with glazing seal performance can usually be traced to misapplication of sealers, to loading them beyond their capacity, or to overestimating the life expectancy of a sealer in a particular application. Hence the company's Suydam Division has issued a report (Bulletin A-3) which seeks to outline the properties and limitations of glazing compounds and to suggest application procedures that have proved favorable to their satisfactory performance.

Specific materials are considered in two groups: those with general performance potential (Pittsburgh Plate's Duribbon vulcanized butene tape sealer, and the Thiokol polysulfide rubber compounds); and those of limited performance potential (conventional putties and elastic glazing compounds, and non-vulcanized extruded tapes). The report also includes a listing of rules of thumb for proper sash detailing and proper glazing procedure.



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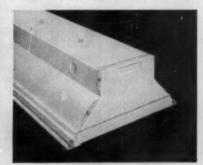


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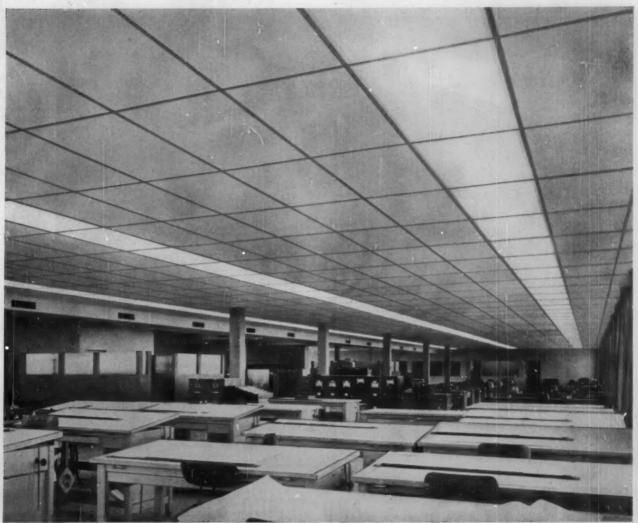
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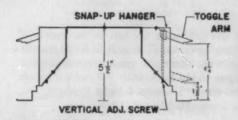


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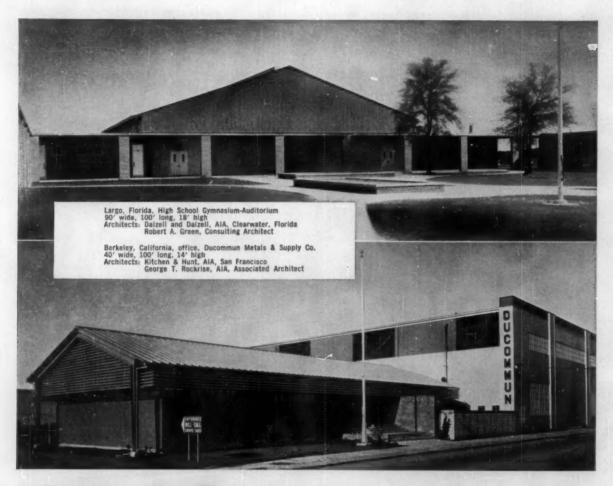
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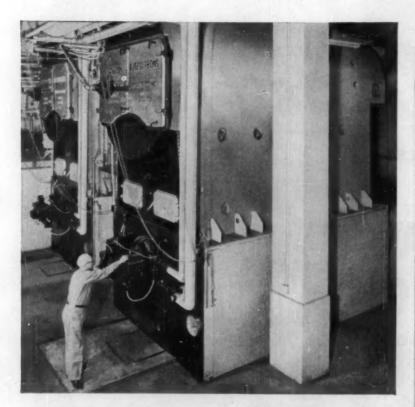
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# **Compact Packaged Water Chillers**

Three recently-introduced lines of packaged water chillers for air conditioning and process cooling applications feature a 50 per cent size reduction compared to previous models of equal capacity. Advantages attributed to their smaller size and lighter weight include less floor space and headroom, more freedom in placement, reduced floor loadings, and greater ease in handling. The units are also said to be less costly to install, support and operate. They are available in sizes from 3 to 125 tons. Industries, Inc., Jackson, Acme



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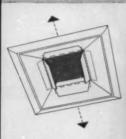
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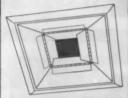
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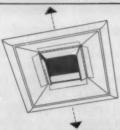
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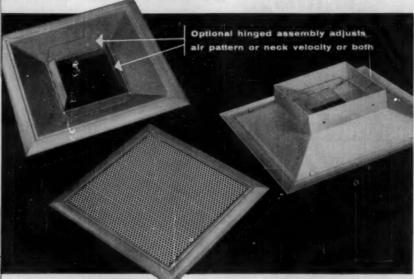
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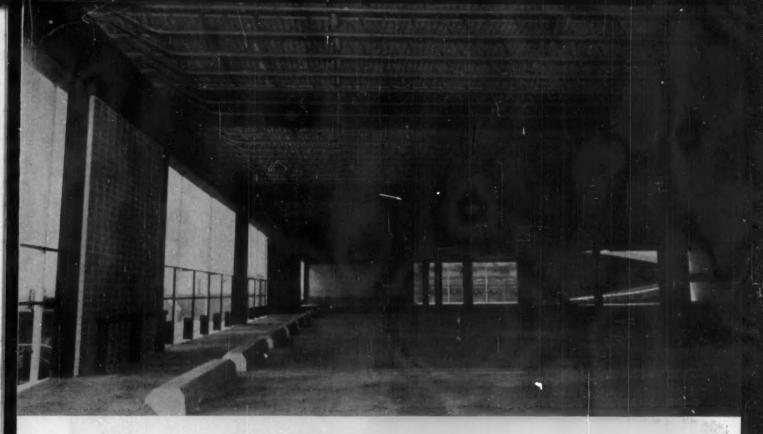
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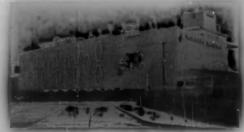
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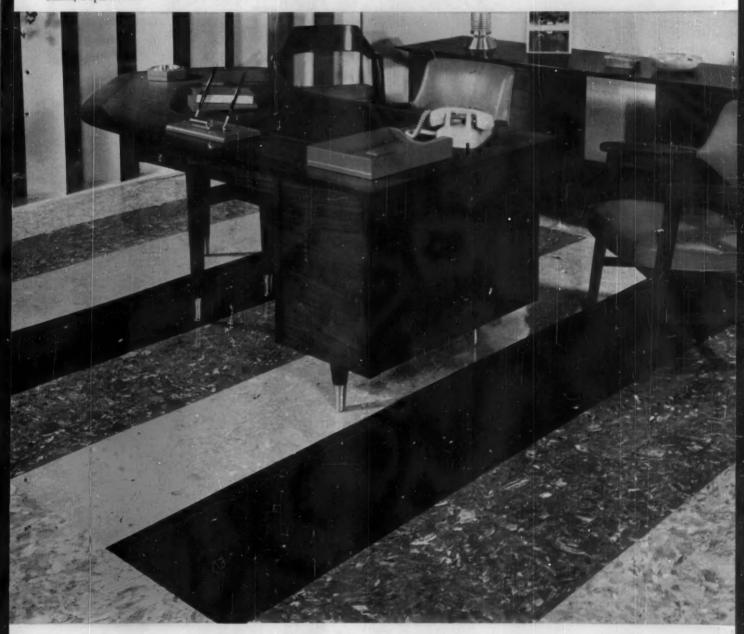


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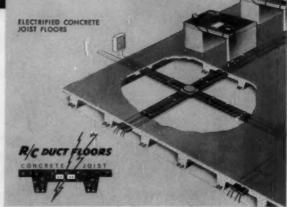


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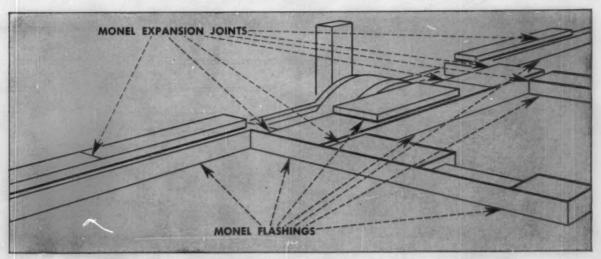
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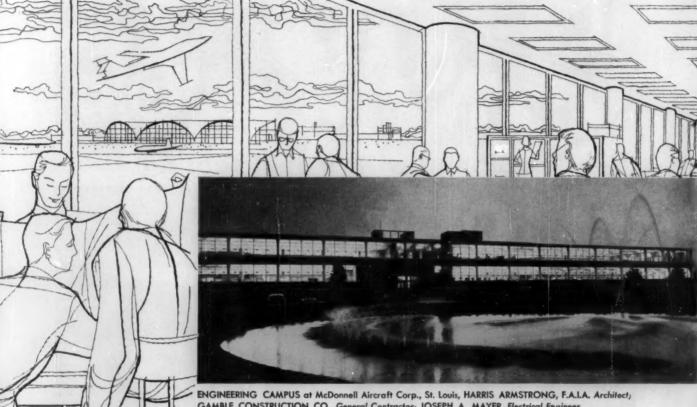
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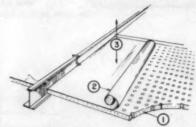


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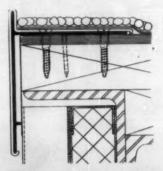
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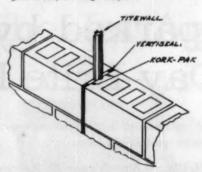
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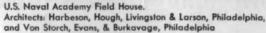
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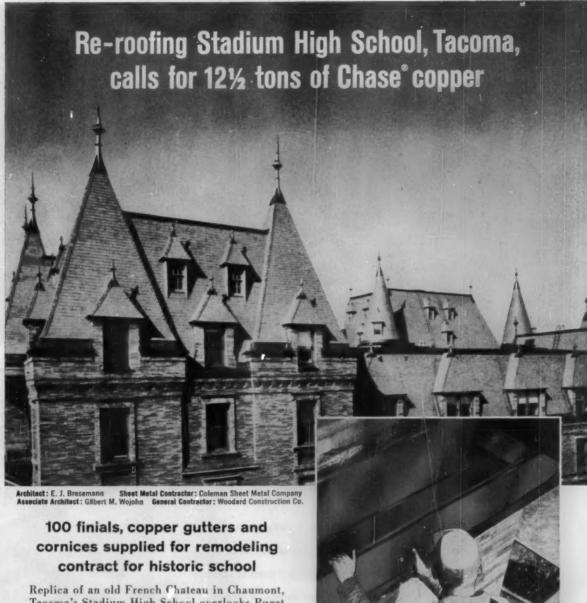
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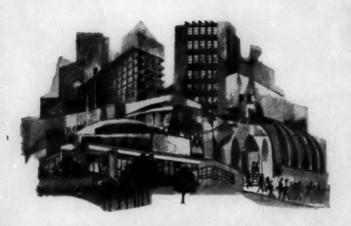
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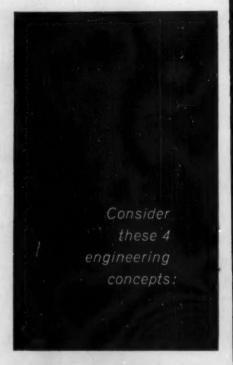
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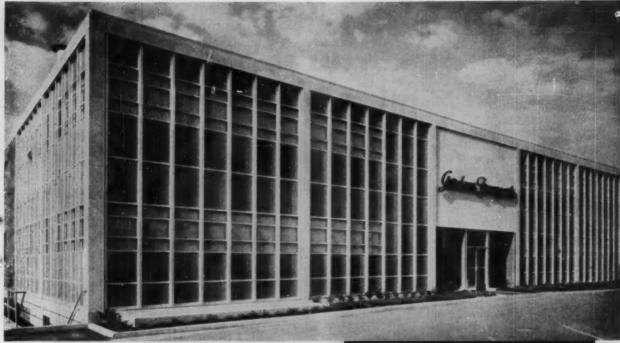
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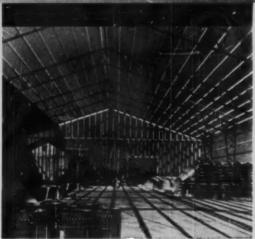
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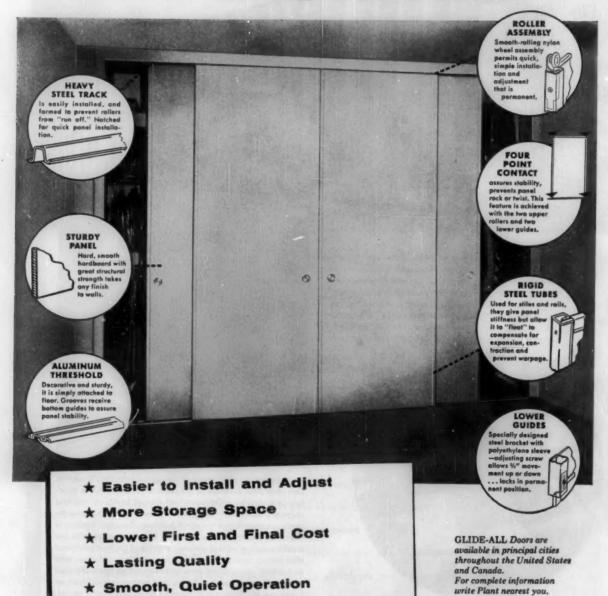
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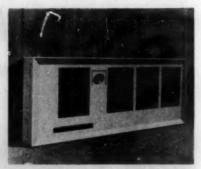
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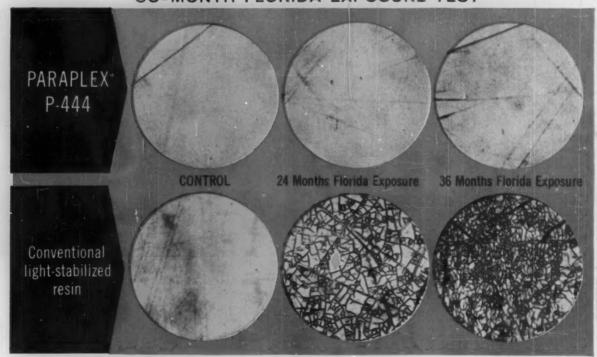
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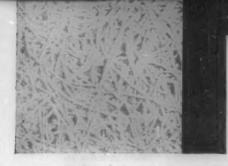
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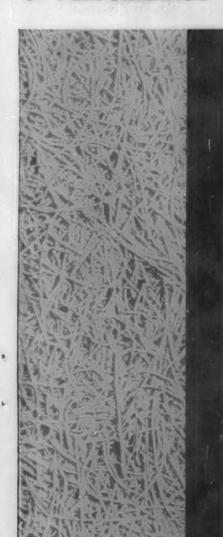
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#### **Incombustible Acoustical Tile**

(A.I.A. 39-B-1) Technical Bulletin contains complete description and details of installation, design dimensions, NRC ranges and architectural specifications for Gold Bond Acoustiroc incombustible acoustical tile. 8 pp. Technical Literature Dept., National Gypsum Co., 325 Delaware Ave., Buffalo 2, N. Y.\*

Erie Porcelain Enamel (A.I.A. 17-A) Gives complete data, including details, illustrated case histories and specifications, on Erie porcelain enamel curtain wall and veneer panels. 12 pp. Erie Enameling Co., Erie,

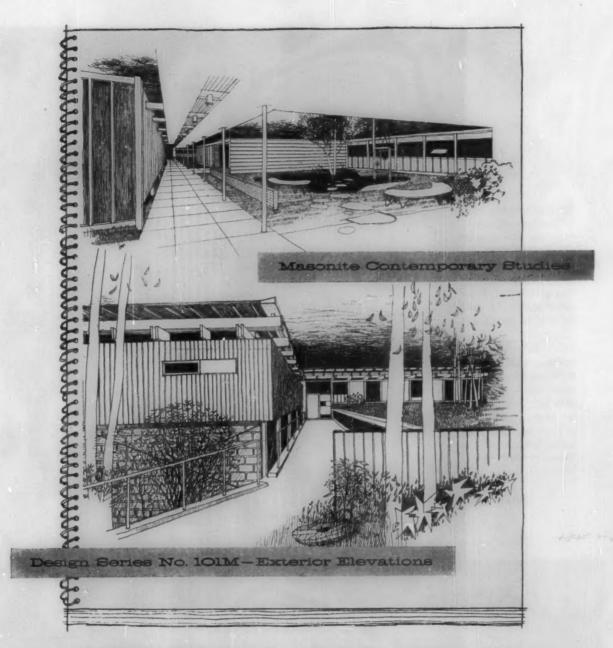
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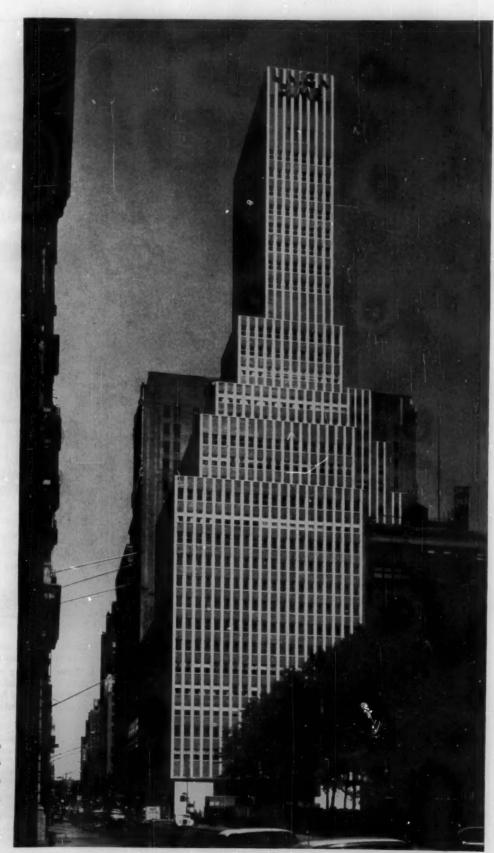
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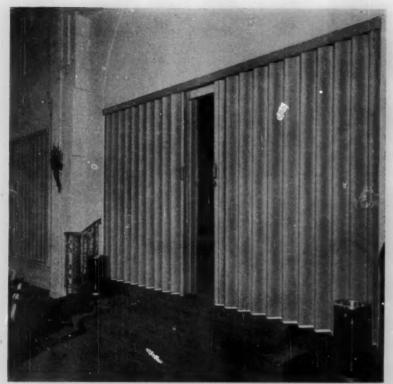
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#### G-P Plywood (A.I.A. 23-L)

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#### Steel Joist Standards

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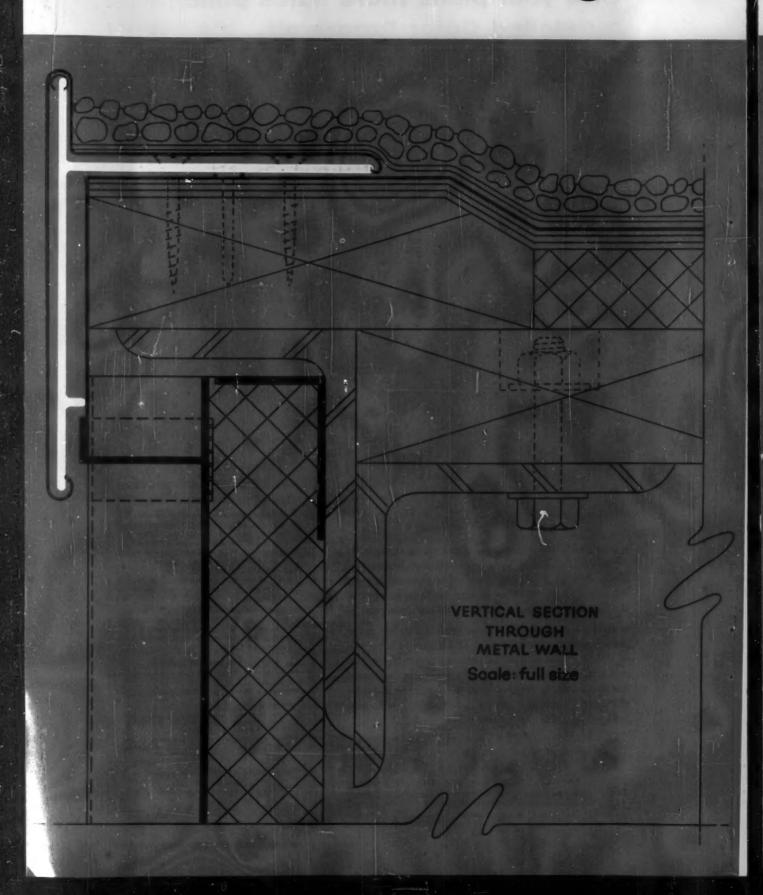
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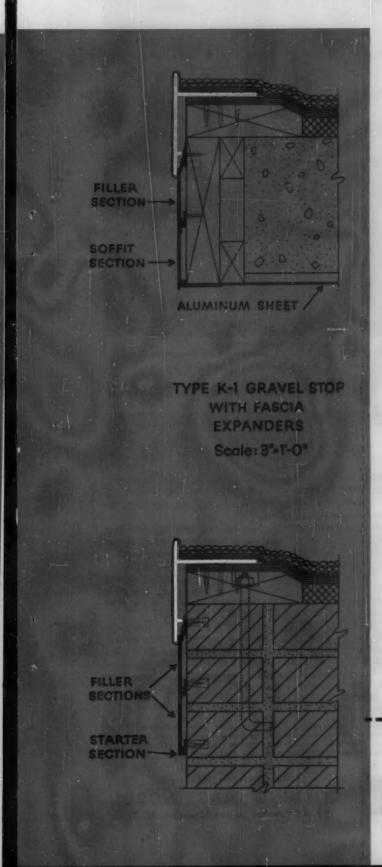
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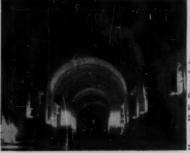


## Underground Basilica in Spain Is Part of Huge Monument

The Valley of the Fallen, 36 miles from Madrid, a monument to the dead of the Spanish Civil War, was opened last August. Under construction for 16 years, the vast project cost at least \$200 million. The original designer was the late Pedro Muguruza, Spanish architect; his work has been carried out by a young colleague, Diego Mendez.

The entrance to the underground basilica, hollowed out of a granite mountain, is above. The reinforced concrete cross is 492 ft high. Below is part of the polychrome mosaic scene by Santiago Padrós on the dome (138 ft high, 134 ft across) above the basilica's high altar. At bottom is the 853-ft underground corridor leading to the altar.





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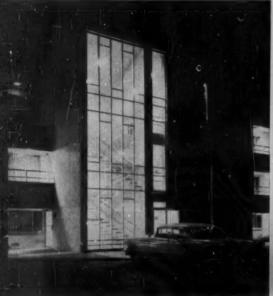
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Front Cover—Night photo of Hotel Utah Motor Lodge innercourt parking area shows spires of Salt Lake City's famed Mormon Temple in background. Just right of center above motor lodge is beehive top of Hotel Utah.

Close-up of entranceway to Salt Lake City's new motor hotel—the Hotel Utah Motor Lodge.



Parking area entrance to the main building of motor lodge.

Dowd Leiter, Executive Assistant Manager, Hotel Utah; J. J. Nielsen, Westinghouse Sales Engineer; Don Black and Max Waddoups, Partners, Midwest Electric Co.; and Van Livingston, Assistant Manager, Hotel Utah, look at construction plans and architect's rendering of the new motor lodge.

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## Hotel Utah Motor Lodge is conventioneered

The new motor lodge, recently constructed by the Hotel Utah in Salt Lake City at a cost of approximately three and one-half million dollars, provides important supplementary facilities to the hotel's services.

Besides the 158 additional rooms now available to Salt Lake City visitors, the motor lodge includes an auditorium capable of seating 1500, an exhibition hall, a 175-seat restaurant known as "The Crossroads" with an all-electric kitchen and a large outdoor swimming pool capable of accommodating all the guests at both the hotel and the motor lodge. Located just across Temple Square from the Hotel Utah, the new motor lodge is comprised of four buildings, three of which are devoted to guest accommodations and one for administration and offices. The largest single building also houses the auditorium and exhibit hall, as well as the restaurant and multiple shops to take care of the guests' needs. Because of the multiple functions combined in this new motor lodge, electrical requirements are large. The average amount of electrical current being used at any one time is estimated to be equivalent to that required to power 800 homes.

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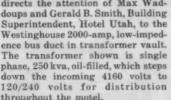
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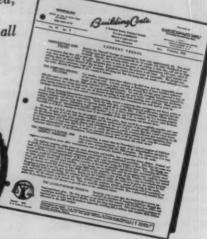
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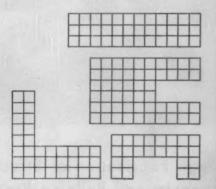
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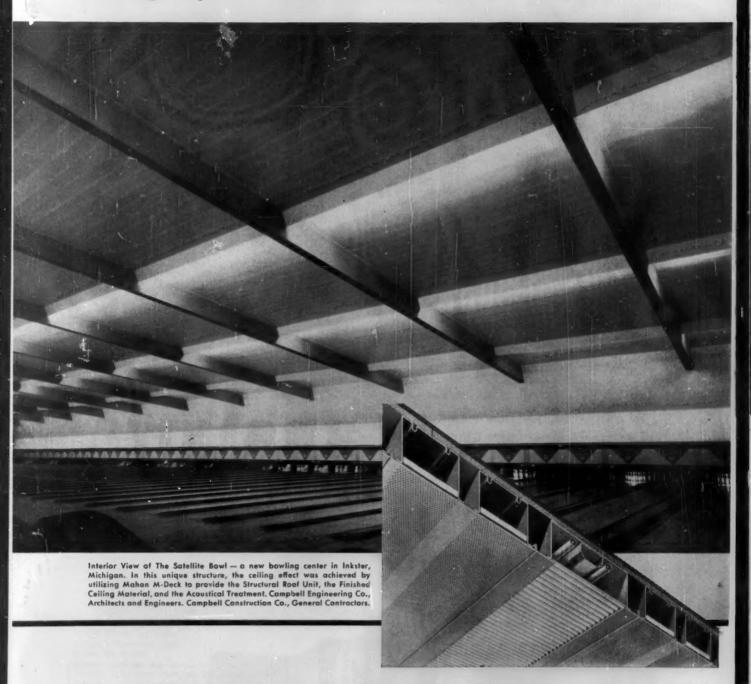
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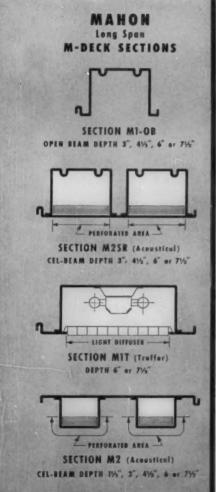
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#### Corrections

The RECORD deeply regrets an error on page 212 of the October issue. The credits for the May Company D & F Store, Denver, should have read: I. M. Pei and Associates, Architects; Ketcham, Giná and Sharp, Associated Architects; Ketchum and Sharp, Interior Architects.

The RECORD also deeply regrets an error on page 13 of the October issue. The credits in the caption accompanying the rendering of the United States Mission to the United Nations building should have read: Kelly & Gruzen-Kahn & Jacobs, Associate Architects; Structural Engineers—Harwood & Gould; Mechanical Engineers—Slocum & Fuller.



The RECORD also regrets that an incomplete credit was given on page 185 of our September issue, in connection with the photograph shown again above. The picture (supplied by the National Parking Association, as was indicated) illustrates the Calgary Parkade of the Hudson Bay Company. This facility was planned and construction was supervised by National Garages, Inc., Detroit; Smith, Hinchman & Grylls, Detroit, were engineers and architects, and Stevenson-Dewar, Calgary, were associate architects





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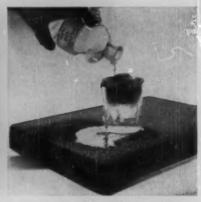
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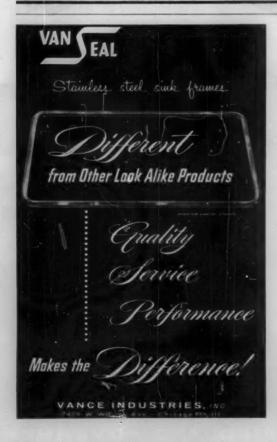
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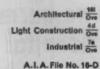
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cy. AMB, noted that currently millions of dollars are being spent for the construction of new runways and the improvement of existing ones. But prior to this location and design study for taxiways there had been no authoritative criteria as an aid to airport capacity expansion.

### CAA Issues Runway Standards

Just prior to release of AMB's study, the Civil Aeronautics Administra-tion, now also part of the Federal Aviation Agency, brought out its final revised standards for the design of airport runways to meet the requirements of both conventional and turbine-powered aircraft.

The new standards reduced the number of airport classifications for air carrier service from six to four. Here are the new categories of runways with revised maximum lengths: local, 4200 ft; trunk, 6000 ft; continental, 10,500 ft. Temperature corrections are specified.

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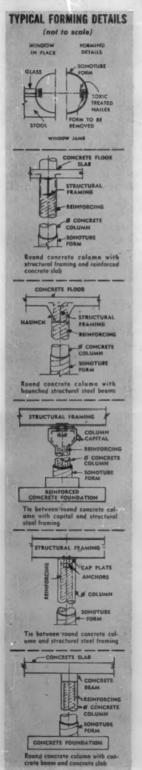
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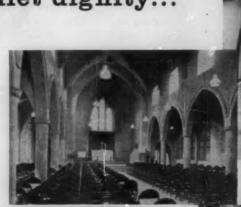
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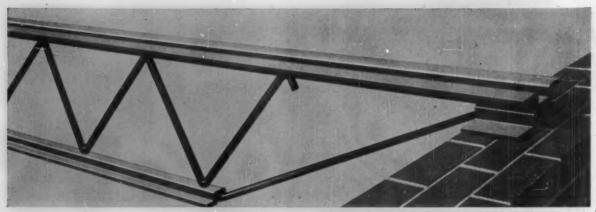
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## Heliport Data Sought

Another phase of air travel had the new industry-government committee charged with establishing criteria for design and development of heliports visiting several leading helicopter manufacturers to learn more of the present and future performance of these aircraft.

CAA said the group was spending about a week with manufacturers in an effort to acquaint itself with performance characteristics of present and plauned helicopters. The angle of landing and take-off, for example, can have important bearing on the design of runways and landing pads. CAA will publish the design criteria later.

#### Space Agency Announces Rules On Contracting Procedures

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration has begun to issue press releases of interest to the construction industry. Among the first of these was an announcement that contracting procedures of the "space agency" would be handled in accordance with the Armed Services Procurement Act.

"This decision should be welcomed by potential NASA contractors," NASA chief T. Keith Glennan asserted, "since industry has become quite familiar with the ASPR in the past 10 years. They will not be required to learn how to operate under widely divergent NASA regulations, nor will this change procedures for those contractors now engaged in projects which have recently been transferred from the Department of Defense to NASA."

NASA said it would have a major procurement and contracting program in connection with its activities in space flight and exploration. While continuing to purchase services, materials and equipment usually associated with laboratories, it will develop and use contractural sources capable of designing, developing, producing and testing space vehicles and the supporting services and products related to launching and operation of such vehicles.

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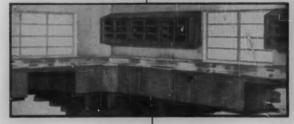
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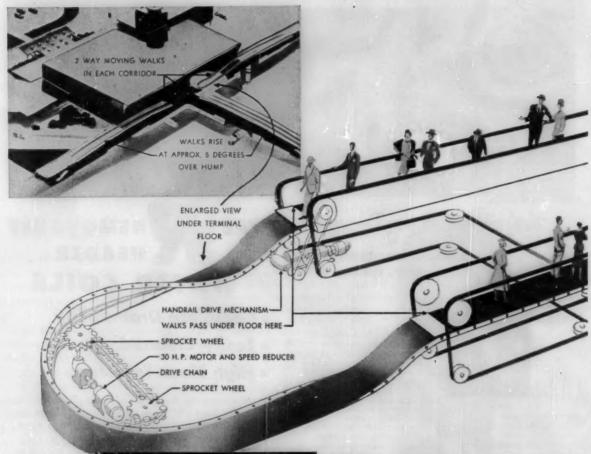
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#### (Opposite page)

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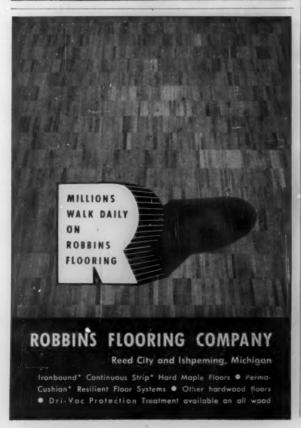
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Finally, the agency said that small business firms would be given the opportunity to participate in supplying NASA procurement needs to the maximum extent practicable, consistent with accomplishment of the purposes of the National Aeronautics and Space Act of 1958.

#### 7091 Veterans Qualify to Get "Wheelchair House" Grants

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#### 1958 Develops Little Change in Housing Vacancy Rate

Surveying the vacancy picture in American housing, the Bureau of the Census has found virtually no change during 1958. The available vacancy rate for the third quarter of this year was 2.8 per cent of all units, just about the same as the 2.9 per cent for the second quarter and identical with the first quarter figure.

Of the 2.8 per cent in the third quarter, 2.2 per cent were units for rent and only 0.6 per cent units for sale. Compared with the same period of 1957, the supply of available vacancies increased. In the third quarter of 1957, it was 1.9 per cent for rent and 0.5 per cent for sale.

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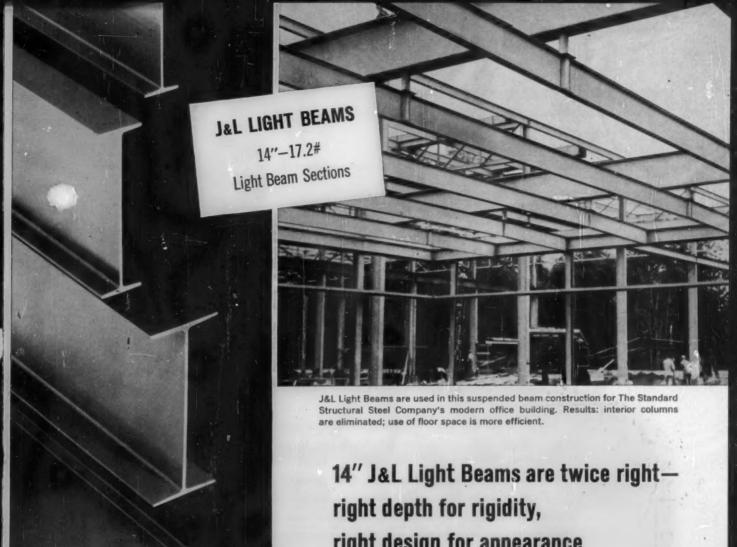
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3. Standard cooling coil section fitted with cooling and heating coils, fan section, short drip pan. For summer cooling with reheat, winter heating.



4. Short and standard cooling coil sections, fan section, long drip pan. Extra cooling surface for summer cooling with reheat, winter heating.

### TYPICAL VERTICAL ARRANGEMENTS



5. Standard cooling coil section, fan section, short drip pan. For summer cooling only (DX); or summer cooling and winter heating with water.



6. Auxiliary heating coil section, standard cooling coil section, fan section, short drip pan. Summer cooling, winter heating, each with its own coil.



7. Standard cooling coil section, auxiliary heating coil section, fan section, short drip pan. For summer cooling with reheat, winter heating.



8. Short and standard cooling coil sections, auxiliary heating coil section, long drip pan. Extra cooling surface for same service as Number 7.

## HORIZONTAL (WITH HYPASS)



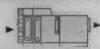
 Same arrangement and functions as Number 1, but with face and bypass dampers and external duct added to provide this control.



10. Same arrangement and functions as Number 2, but with face and bypass dampers. Note duct permits bypass of both heating, cooling coils.



Same arrangement and functions as Number 3, but with face and bypass dampers. Duct permits bypass of cooling coil but not heating coil.



12. Short and standard cooling coil sections, heating coil, long drip pan. Duct permits bypass of cooling coils but not heating coil.

# VERTICAL (WITH BYPASS)



13. Same arrangement and functions as Number 5, but with face and bypass dampers. Note in this setup no external bypass duct is needed.



14. Same arrangement and functions as Number 6. Here a small sheet metal adapter is required to complete the installation of the bypass.



15. Same arrangement and functions as Number 7. Here a special "bypass heating coil section" is required to provide inlet for the bypass air.



16. Same arrangement and functions as Number 15, except heating and coil position is changed so air will bypass both heating and cooling coils.

# FAN DISCHARGES



17. Fan section may be rotated about the shaft, or end for end. Drawing here shows top horizontal discharge or alternate downblast.

19. Either truly horizontal or truly up-

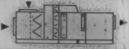


18. Another variation with short coil section permits either horizontal discharge from bottom of fan section, or alternate true upblast.

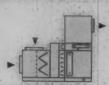


20. In this arrangement of the fan section, the vertical unit provides horizontal discharge and at the same time reverses direction of the air.





21. Typical horizontal arrangement featuring these standard accessories: mixing bdx assembly with interconnected double acting damper blades and low velocity filters; plenum section, face and bypass damper section and bypass duct assembly. As in all arrangements, spray humidifier section can be inserted ahead of booling coil.



22. This vertical arrangement features these accessories: mixing box assembly with damper blades and filters; plenum section; face and bypass damper section; auxiliary heating coil section. Note this setup provides full year-round service with excellent control in a package that makes economical use of valuable floor space.

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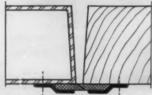
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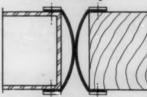
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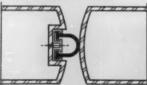
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ground plan is a parabola, symbolically entering at one portal and circling clear around from nave to east end and back to exit at the other portal. The sixth form is a return to the "ring," only this time the "dome of light" of a "transformed Gothic" such as that shown in the Church of the Fourteen Saints in Neresheim.

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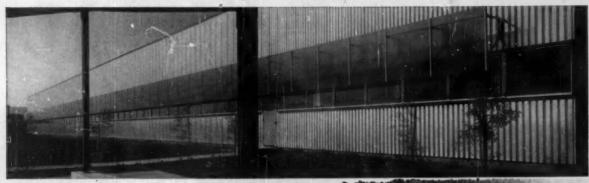
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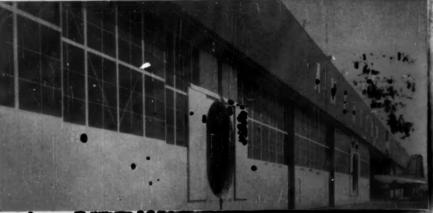
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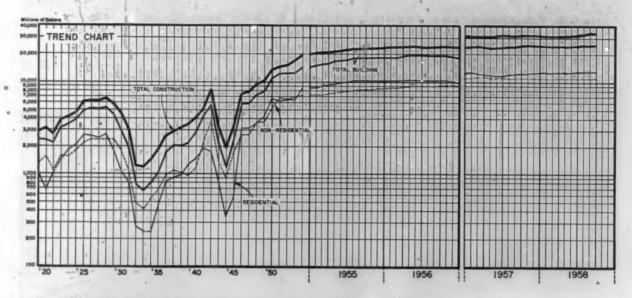






# Current Trends in Construction

As Reflected in Contracts for Future Construction in the U. S. Reported and Tabulated by F. W. Dodge Corporation.



# OCTOBER PASSES \$3 BILLION FOR FIRST TIME

Construction contracts in October exceeded \$3 billion for the first time in any October, F. W. Dodge Corporation reported. The actual total, \$3,309,024,000, represented a 27 per cent rise over October 1957. The October figures pushed the cumulative total for the first ten months of the year to \$30,279,846,000, up nine per cent over the same period in 1957. October was also the sixth successive month in which contracts set new monthly records; the six months together were the highest such period in history.

Residential contracts were responsible for the largest dollar increase over last year. They totaled \$1,595,041,000 in October (\$430 million, or 37 per cent, above October 1957). The number of dwelling units put under contract in the month was 123,553, up 38 per cent from a year ago. Most of the increase in both dollars and numbers of residential units was in single-family houses.

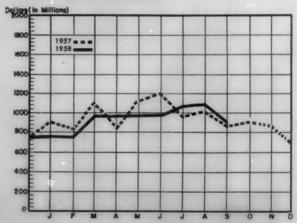
In percentage terms, however, apartment building contracts and units showed a much greater rise, Dr. George Cline Smith, Dodge vice president and economist, pointed out. "Emphasis on apartments has been steadily increasing for the past two years," Dr. Smith said. "In 1956, only 10 per cent of all the units under contract were in apartments. In 1957, the proportion rose to 14 per cent, and in the first ten months of this year it reached 17 per cent."

Among the three major categories of construction, the greatest percentage increase, according to the Dodge data, was in heavy engineering. Its October total was \$759,190,000, up 41 per cent from the same month last year. Dr. Smith noted that highways and electric power projects, as in other recent months, produced most of the increase.

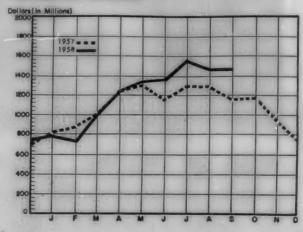
Nonresidential building in October produced its principal increases in commercial, public, religious, and social and recreational buildings. There were offsetting declines, however, in other groups, with the sharpest decrease showing up in manufacturing buildings. The month's total for the group was \$954,793,000—five per cent over October 1957.

Cumulative totals for the first ten months, by categories, were: nonresidential, \$9,452,320,000 (down three per cent); residential, \$12,534,797,000 (up 10 per cent); heavy engineering, \$8,292,729,000 (up 23 per cent).

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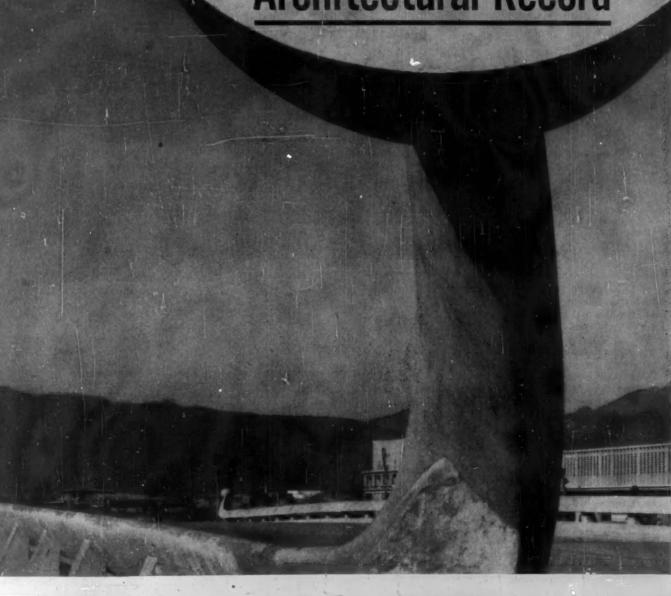
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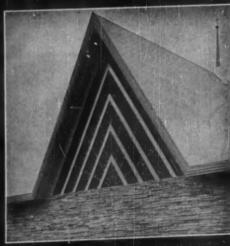
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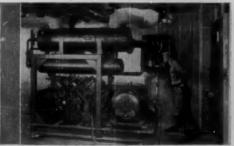
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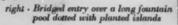
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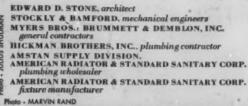
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